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INTRODUCTION.

This Calendar of Washington Manuscripts in the Library of Congress was compiled under the direction and supervision of Dr. Herbert Friedenwald, when chief of the Manuscripts Division. It is in two parts. In the first division are calendars of such manuscripts as were written by Washington or under his authority. In the second division are the calendars of the documents received by him.

Supplied information is inclosed within brackets. In the case of manuscripts that have been published reference is made to the printed copy, and these documents, being easily available for reference, have been but briefly calendared. For the same reason names mentioned in the body of such manuscripts have been omitted from the general index of names.

The abbreviations A. L. and A. L. S., A. D. and A. D. S. have their usual significance. The first abbreviations designate autograph letters and autograph letters signed, the second designate autograph documents and autograph documents signed. In the case of letters or documents written by another than the author and signed by the latter the abbreviations L. S. and D. S. are employed.

Notable among the documents calendared are the Virginia Articles of Association of 1770, the series of papers relating to General Sullivan's Indian expedition, and the letters relating to the founding of the city of Washington. Of the documents to Washington the most significant are those dating from 1778 to 1782, illustrating the means employed for obtaining information respecting the movements of the enemy. This material will be found in the main under Z, Culper, Mersereau, Amicus Reipublicae, Littel D, and Tallmadge.

In addition to the documents comprised in this calendar the Library has recently acquired the letter books of Robert Morris which contain copies of 73 letters from that statesman to Washington, 68 of which were written during the years 1781–1784. The Library possesses also the large Toner collection of transcripts of Washington's writings, as well as the transcripts of letters and documents written by Washington during the Revolutionary war, collected by Peter Force and obtained by the Library of Congress in 1867.

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DOCUMENTS FROM WASHINGTON.

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1755. Feb. 26–June 17. **Washington,** George. *Col. and aid-de-camp to Maj. Gen. Edward Braddock.* Orderly book of Maj. Gen. Edward Braddock, containing the orders issued between Feb. 26 and June 17, 1755, while in command of the expedition against the French. The orders cover the period from the departure of the expedition from Williamsburg [Virginia] to the illness of Washington at Little Meadows [Pennsylvania]. Three notes were added at a later date: (*a*) explaining the character of the work, (*b*) the omission of orders for June 15 and 16, and (*c*) giving directions to copyist for transcribing the work. A. D. 2 vols. Q°. pp. 109, 13.

Printed: Lowdermilk, Hist. of Cumberland, Washn., 1878, Appendix pp. II-LIX.

1755. July 18. **Washington,** George. *Col., 1st Virginia regiment.* Fort Cumberland [Maryland]. Letter to [Lt.] Governor [Robert] Dinwiddie [Willamsburg? Virginia]. Gives an account of the battle on the Monongahela on the 9th instant. Contemporary copy attested: "Wm. Alexander. Secy." 3 pp. F°.

[1755.] [Aug.–Sept.?] **Washington,** George. *Col. and commander in chief of Virginia forces.* Fredericksburg, Virginia. List of officers for the 1st Virginia regiment [submitted to Lt. Governor Robert Dinwiddie]. For Lt. Col., Adam Stephen; for Major, Andrew Lewis; sixteen captains, seventeen lieutenants, sixteen ensigns; recommends as essential a company of scouts and proposes [Christopher] Gist for commander. On verso is written "not to enlist Felons". "have the arms all cleaned" A. D. 1 p. F°.

Names are given in index.

1758. Sept. 14. **Washington,** George. *Col. and commander in chief of Virginia forces.* List of officers killed, wounded, missing and returned [on Major James Grant's reconnoissance]. Tabular statement by regiments; names of regiments and number of officers and men on expedition. Endorsed: "A List of the kill'd & Missing in the Engagement near Fort Duquesne. 14th. Septr. 1758" A. D. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: The Olden Time (Craig's) 2, 283.

1763. June 3. **Mississippi Company,** [Virginia] Articles of association. Name and purpose of company; agent to go to England to obtain the grant from the Crown and conditions to govern same; to be an equal division of expense; yearly meetings to be held; members to be entitled to but one vote; meetings to be presided over by a president; regulations governing assessments; qualifications necessary for a treasurer; powers of an executive committee of ten defined;

1763. **Mississippi Company**—Continued.
June 3. rules governing sale of stock; charter members: Francis Lightfoot Lee, John Augustine Washington, Anthony Stewart, Richard Parker, Robert Woodrop, William Flood, Robert Brent, William Beale, jr., Henry Fitzhugh, Richard Henry Lee, Thomas Ludwell Lee, Adam Stephen, William Lee, Presley Thornton, William Booth, Thomas Bullitt, William Brockenbrough, William Fitzhugh, George Washington. 3 pp. F°.

Copy in Washington's handwriting.

1770. **Virginia,** [Colony] Articles of association. Williamsburg. Entered
June 22. into by the House of Burgesses and body of merchants; to purchase no British nor European goods; to publish names of violators of this agreement; encourage frugality; list of goods agreed not to be imported; special mention of slaves and wine; no sales of British goods on commission; committee of trade; prices not to be advanced; no goods to be imported. 164 printed signatures. Endorsed by Washington: "98" Broadside. 1 p. 19¼ x 14⅞ inches.

MS. addition in Washington's handwriting: "The Subscribers, Inhabitants of the County of Fairfax * * * upon his Word and Honour agree and Promise that he will strictly & firmly * * * abide by every article and Resolution therein contained * * *." 98 signatures. Names given in index.

1770. **Virginia,** [Colony] Articles of association. Williamsburg. Five copies
June 22. similar to preceding, *q. v.* Endorsements and signatures, which differ in each document as follows:

MS. endorsed by Washington				"21"	has	21	MS.	signatures.
"	"	"	"	"41"	"	41	"	"
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Broadsides. 1 p. 19¼ x 14⅞ inches.

Names given in index.

1771. **Washington,** George. *Member Virginia House of Burgesses.* Mount
June 4. Vernon. Letter to Capt. Neil Jameison, Norfolk [Virginia]. Asks that sails and rigging for John West be forwarded; Capt. [ ] Olife will return [to Alexandria] soon. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1773. **Virginia,** [Colony] Council. [Williamsburg.] Proceedings on the
Nov. 4. memorial of Col. George Washington in behalf of his brother officers "entitled to lands under [Lt.] Governor [Robert] Dinwiddie's proclamation" [Feb. 19, 1754] and giving an account of five recent surveys to the amount of 72,299 acres; list of beneficiaries and amounts given each; the governor advised to issue his warrants for the individual surveys as desired. Signed: "True Copy Exd. G. Washington."

Nov. 6. (2) Under the King's proclamation [Oct., 1773] claims must be made in person to be recognized as valid. 2 pp. F°.

Entire document in Washington's handwriting.

[1774.] **Virginia,** [Colony] Fairfax County. [Fairfax Court House.] Summary
[July 18.] of resolves 13–17 and 19–24 passed at a general meeting of inhabitants and freeholders. 1 p. F°.

In Washington's handwriting. Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 2, 488. Ford, Writings of Washington, 2, 420.

1775. June–July. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge?] "An Acct. of the Killed & Wounded in the Ministerial Army" in the battle of Bunker Hill; according to an account given by John Machin, deserter from the Welsh Fusileers. A. D. 1 p. Q°.

1775. July 13. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters Cambridge" Letter to the commanding officer [Col. Samuel Gerrish?] at Chelsea [Massachusetts]. By the General's [Washington] direction orders him to bring off all cattle and sheep from Shirley Point and other places; owners to have them again on application or can dispose of them to the commissaries. Signed J. Reed. *Letter book.*

1775. July 13. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to [Major] Gen. [Israel] Putnam [Cambridge]. By order [of Washington] passage to Boston is to be given the woman bearing this letter; precautions to be taken that she receive no papers from anyone; her name is Greenwood; encloses her petition. Signed J. Reed. *Letter book.*

1775. July 15. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [John] Thomas, Roxbury. Col. [Jonathan] Trumbull has applied to the General [Washington] for a house, now occupied by soldiers, to be used by some person for a tavern; the General directs that the matter be referred to [Thomas]; Trumbull will furnish tents for the men moved, if he so directs. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

[1775]. July [16?] **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to the Committee of Supplies, Watertown [Massachusetts]. Two horses taken from the enemy are sent by the General's [Washington] directions; Capt. [ ] Brown sent one to his father, contrary to orders; practice of considering captured goods the property of the captor is to be discouraged; the other horse is in [Maj.] Gen. [Israel] Putnam's service, who holds himself accountable to the public for same. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. July 17. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to the Committee of Safety [of Massachusetts, Watertown]. James Bayard and Charles Prew, who came out of Boston, are suspected of being spies; by order of the General [Washington] they are sent to them, to be treated as the Committee shall see fit. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. July 18. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [John] Thomas [Roxbury]. The General [Washington] thinks it necessary to procure as many whaleboats as possible immediately; orders a horse to be stationed on Sewall's Point to convey intelligence; enjoins strictly that it be not used for any other purpose. Signed J. Reed. *Letter book.*

1775. July 18. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut]. Personal matters. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 31. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 27 (footnote). Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 2, 1686.

1775. July 18. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Cambridge Camp" Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence? Rhode Island], acknowledging receipt of letter through [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene; thanks him for his good wishes. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

1775. July 21. **Gates,** Horatio. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* "Head Quarters, Cambridge" Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. By order of Gen. Washington informs him of prisoners at Cambridge; wishes to know the most convenient place, remote from the coast, for their confinement. "Copyd by J. P." *Letter book.*

1775. July 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Cambridge Camp" Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Has received an application from the captains in Col. [Edmund] Phinney's regiment; they claim that the bounty and billeting money promised has not been paid; requests that the matter be laid before the General Court; has promised the men they will receive the legal allowance. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

1775. July 25. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [David] Wooster [Harlem? New York], respecting probable movement of British against New York. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 2, 1754, and 3, 292.

1775. July 26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor Nicholas Cooke [Providence? Rhode Island], respecting British departure from Boston and their possible intention of raiding the Rhode Island coast. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Coll. R. I. Hist. Soc., 6, 116.

1775. July 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts], respecting the manner in which the people of Boston are leaving the city. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 2, 1754, and 3, 292, note.

1775. July 31. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts], giving reasons for refusing the application made by the Provincial Assembly of the colony. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 51. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 44. Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 2, 1764.

1775. [July 31.] **Pennsylvania (The) Packet or the General Advertiser.** Philadelphia. Last two pages of No. 197, Vol. IV, containing list of officers of the British army killed and wounded and of the killed and wounded of the Revolutionary army at the battle of Charlestown [Bunker Hill]. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of the Killed & wounded of ye Provincials—17th. June 1775 &c" F°.

[1775.] [July?] **Gates,** Horatio. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* [Cambridge?] Table of rations allowed to staff officers of the Army. A. D. S. "By the Generals Command, Horatio Gates, Adjt. Gen'l." 1 p. F°.

1775. Aug. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge] Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut], regarding the new levies from Connecticut. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Extract only. Entire letter printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 46. Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 37.

1775. Aug. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to the General Court [of Massachusetts, Watertown]. The bearer, [Lt.] Col. [Loammi] Baldwin, reports the detention at Malden of the barrackmaster's wife [Mrs. Hannah Goldthwait]; danger is to be apprehended of allowing persons, many of whom are known to be disaffected, to roam the country; has convened a court of inquiry, but the business accumulates; takes field officers from their duty; desires the General Court to take steps in the matter; wishes Baldwin to be directed concerning Mrs. Goldthwait. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Cambridge" Letter to "Col" [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Would be glad to procure [ ] Hitchbourn's release as requested in his letter of yesterday, if there is any practicable way of doing it; if the imprudent letters brought evil consequences on those gentlemen alone, would think they deserved to suffer some for their misconduct. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 7. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to Col. [James] Otis [Watertown, Massachusetts], respecting absence of soldiers from the Army. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 72. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 55. Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 314.

1775. Aug. 8. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to the New York Provincial Assembly [Kingston?], respecting the export of provisions from New York and a possible attack upon that city by the British. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 74. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 56. Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 537.

1775. Aug. 9. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut], respecting the movements of the British and the consequent action of the Connecticut troops. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll., 5th ser., 10, 2.

1775. Aug. 9. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to the Committee [of Safety?] at New London [Connecticut]. Has been directed by His Excellency [Washington] to acknowledge their letter of [Aug. 8.]; he is surprised that after the notice given the stock was not removed from [Fisher's?] Island; the distress in Boston before this raid was very great; remedy suggested by them is both difficult and hazardous. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to P[eter] V[an Brugh] Livingston, New York, respecting commissions for officers and possible movements of the British. . Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 533. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 75 (in part).

1775. Aug. 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to the General Court [of Massachusetts, Watertown]. Refers to them the case of [Ichabod?] Jones; military matters and the expedition against Nova Scotia. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 76. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 58. Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 90.

1775. Aug. 14. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Cambridge Head Quarters" Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts], respecting the treatment of prisoners of war and conditions at Cape Ann. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th. ser., 3, 328.

1775. Aug. 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut], respecting ammunition and food supplies for the Army. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th. ser., 3, 137. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 80.

1775. Aug. 15. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to the Committee [of Safety?] of Northampton [Massachusetts], respecting treatment of Capt. Knight and other prisoners. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

Printed: Reed, Life of Reed, 1, 115 (in part). See also note in Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 79-80.

1775. Aug. 15. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to [the General Court of Massachusetts, Watertown]. Bearer of this is accompanied by a chief of the St. Francis Canadian Indians; he returns via Ticonderoga to tender his services to [Maj.] Gen. [Philip] Schuyler; thinks it best that the Court should learn from him personally the sentiments of these Indians towards the colonies; His Excellency [Washington] approved his waiting upon the Court and directed that this account of what has passed be sent. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Cambridge" Letter to the President of the Council [of Massachusetts, James Otis, Watertown]. Bearer of this letter is William Minns; commits him, as a suspicious character, to the General Court; wishes to be informed of the action taken on his case as property belonging to him is in the hands of the officer at Roxbury. Unsigned. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Was informed in a conference with the General Court that shirts, breeches, etc., had been provided by the Committee on Supplies; the Army being in a measure destitute wishes them delivered to the Quartermaster-general. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut], respecting supplies for the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter book.*

Printed: Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll., 5th ser., 10, 3.

1775. Aug. 24. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to the [Pennsylvania] Committee of Safety, Philadelphia. Gen. Washington directs that Major [Christopher] French and the other captives [Ensign John Rotten and Cadet William McDermott] be sent to Hartford instead of this camp; wishes all powder that can be spared hurried forward; the last supply was very acceptable, but far short of the necessities; the intercepted clothing should be sent forward at once as the Army is in a very destitute condition. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 24. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters Cambridge" Letter to [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. By direction of His Excellency [Washington] has sent three prisoners; James Campbell was brought along on suspicion of designs on the powder under escort; he claims that his papers in New York will clear him; bad character of the other prisoners; suggests that the militia relieve the guard and escort the prisoners to Hartford; Campbell might be given an opportunity to clear himself. Signed J. R. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 25. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to "Col." [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Has been directed by the General [Washington] to inform him of his need of £2,000 in specie "for a particular Service." Signed J. Reed. *Letter book.*

1775. Aug. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to the President of the Council of Massachusetts [James Otis, Watertown]. The Quartermaster-general [Col. Thomas Mifflin] cannot obtain fire-wood, oats or hay for the army; the scarcity is artificial and is brought about by a desire to raise the prices; asks that the Council devise a remedy; suggests the usual method of fixing a fair price by law and seizing the articles desired; if this action is taken on other commodities the effect will be most beneficial also. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Aug. 30. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Peter Van Brugh Livingston [New York], concerning the capture of the ship *Charming Sally* and want of ammunition. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th ser., 3, 462.

1775. Aug. 31. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Messrs. Clarke & Nightingale [Providence, Rhode Island]. Has heard they have imported a quantity of powder; sends "Capt. [George] Bayler" [Baylor] to purchase same; their bills drawn on him will be honored at the shortest notice. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

1775. Aug. 31. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence? Rhode Island]. Has information of Clarke & Nightingale importing powder, lead and 500 stands of arms; has sent Capt. [George] Baylor to purchase same; wishes his assistance in the transaction and help in transporting arms to camp; Baylor can give him the latest news; wishes to know the progress made with the hunting shirts. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Aug. 31. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Col. [Thomas] Seymour, Hartford, Connecticut. Is directed by His Excellency [Washington] to inform him that orders have been given for Major [Christopher] French and other prisoners from Philadelphia to remain at Hartford; their paroles to be taken again if necessary; their presence in camp at this time would be inconvenient. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

1775. Aug. 31. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Major [Christopher] French [Hartford, Connecticut]. Has received his letter of 15th instant and will forward enclosures to Boston as requested; his coming to camp, as ordered by the "Philad." Committee of Safety will be inconvenient; has directed his destination changed to Hartford; has written the Committee there to that effect; Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull is empowered to make any alteration of [French's] residence, he may see fit. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Aug. 31. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Capt. T[homas?] Wharton [jr., on road to camp]. The presence of Major [Christopher] French and other prisoners under his care will prove inconvenient at camp; by order of Gen. Washington, directs him to return with them to Hartford, or such place as Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull shall direct, until further orders. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

1775. Sept. 2. **Washington.** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [David] Wooster [Oyster Pond? Long Island] concerning making detachments from the main army for defense of various points. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 107. Sparks. Writings of Washington, 3, 75. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 632.

1775. Sept. 3. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Capt. T[homas?]. Wharton [jr., Cambridge?] concerning Major [Christopher] French and other prisoners; personal matters. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 640.

1775. Sept. 3. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to the Committee [of Safety] at Hartford [Connecticut] concerning the treatment of Major [Christopher] French and other prisoners. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 639.

1775. Sept. 3. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Major [Christopher] French [on the road to Hartford] concerning his exchange. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 639. Extract in Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 148 (note).

1775. Sept. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to the President [James Otis] and Council of Massachusetts [Watertown] respecting Col. [Paul Dudley] Sergeant's application for a commission in the Continental army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 642.

1775. Sept. 7. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Nathan Tracy, Newbury Port [Massachusetts] respecting vessels [for the Canadian expedition under Arnold]. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 667.

1775. Sept. 7. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to [Hon.] Benjamin Lincoln [Rhode Island?] respecting the purchase of arms and ammunition at Providence. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 667.

1775. Sept. 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to "Col." [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Capt. [George] Bayler [Baylor] will receive the specie for Col. [Benedict] Arnold; wishes the amount made up by Continental currency to £1000; a regular warrant will be sent in a few days. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Sept. 19. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Major [Christopher] French, Hartford [Connecticut], respecting his treatment as a prisoner. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 744.

1775. Sept. 20. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt.. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Col. [Benedict] Arnold [Fort Western, Maine] respecting the expedition to Canada and conditions at Cambridge. Signed J. Reed. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 763.

1775. Sept. 25. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to B[enjamin]. Franklin [Philadelphia]. Congratulates him on his appointment [on Conference Committee at Cambridge?]; Gen. [Washington's] letters to his family and friends in Virginia, for the past two months have miscarried; the failure lies between Philadelphia and Alexandria; requests that steps be taken to ensure delivery in future; nothing of importance has occurred; are building a number of flat bottom boats to be ready if an opportunity presents itself. Signed J. Reed. *Letter-book.*

1775. Sept. 26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Major [Christopher] French, Hartford [Connecticut] concerning treatment of prisoners and his request to wear his sword. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 148. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 105. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 810.

1775. Sept. 26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to Brig. Gen. [Joseph] Spencer [Roxbury, Massachusetts] concerning petition against the appointment of [Ebenezer] Huntington. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 108. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 151. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 811.

1775. Sept. 26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Col. [Thomas] Seymour [Hartford, Connecticut] respecting the treatment of Major [Christopher] French and other prisoners. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 810. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 150 (note). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 107.

1775. Sept. 28 **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [James] Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts] introducing an Oneida chief to the General Court. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 842 (under date of Sept. 29). See also: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 15 (note).

1775. [Sept.] **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Address to the Inhabitants of Canada. Broadside. French and English. 1 p. F°

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 126. Sparks, Writings of Washton, 3, 92. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 734.

1775. Oct. 2. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Simon Peas, Newport [Rhode Island] respecting supplies for the army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 937.

1775. Oct. 2. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts] respecting the disposition of certain vessels captured from the enemy. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 937.

1775. Oct. 4. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to the Committee of Salem and Gloucester [Massachusetts] respecting the disposition of certain vessels captured from the enemy. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 948.

1775. Oct. 4. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Col. [Benedict] Arnold [on the march toward Quebec] concerning cooperation with Schuyler in the expedition, the attitude of the Canadians &c. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 947.

1775. Oct. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Capt. [Daniel] Morgan [on the road to Quebec] respecting the dispute about orders and his rank in the army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 155. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 11. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 946.

1775. Oct. 4. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Col. [John] Glover [Marblehead, Massachusetts] respecting the disposition of certain vessels and the equipment of others for service against the enemy. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 948.

1775. Oct. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to H[unking] Wentworth, Portsmouth [New Hampshire] respecting the disposition of supplies captured from the enemy. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 965.

1775. Oct. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut] respecting the situation at Boston and the departure of a British expedition probably directed against some town on the coast. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 964. Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll. 5th. Ser., 10, 4.

1775. Oct. 5. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Commissary [-general Joseph] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut] respecting the expenses of the Commissary Department during the winter. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 965.

1775. Oct. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Isaac Low, New York respecting the situation at Boston and the departure of a British expedition probably directed against some town on the coast. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 964.

1775. Oct. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence? Rhode Island] respecting the situation at Boston, departure of a British expedition and methods of maintaining the American army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 964.

1775. Oct. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to the President of the Council of Massachusetts Bay [James Otis, Watertown] concerning scarcity of wood for the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 966.

1775. Oct. 7. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Stephen Moylan, Salem or Marblehead [Massachusetts] respecting the shipment of flour from Portsmouth, N. H., for the use of the American army. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 967.

1775. Oct. 7. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to H[unking] Wentworth, Portsmouth [New Hampshire] respecting the shipment of flour from Portsmouth for the use of the American army. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 967.

1775. Oct. 11. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [John] Glover and Stephen Moylan, Marblehead or Salem [Massachusetts] respecting fitting out of armed vessels. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1016.

1775. Oct. 12. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to Capt. [Nicholas] Broughton [Marblehead, Massachusetts] respecting the enlistment of his crew. "dtd to Capt. [John] Sollman." Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1016.

1775. Oct. 12. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to Col. [John] Glover [Salem or Marblehead, Massachusetts] respecting the distribution of prize money in case of captures. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1037.

1775. Oct. 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon? Connecticut] respecting a British fleet and Arnold's expedition. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1055.

1775. Oct. 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to the President of the Provincial Congress at New York [Nathaniel Woodhull] respecting recent news from England and the sailing of a British fleet from Boston for the northern coast. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1293.

[1775.] Oct. 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence, Rhode Island] respecting the capture of British ordnance stores, sailing of a British fleet and action of Congress. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1055.

1775. Oct. 13. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp" [Cambridge]. Letter to Committee [of Safety] of Plymouth [Massachusetts] respecting the equipment of a privateer. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1057.

1775. Oct. 15. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to William Whipple [Portsmouth, New Hampshire] respecting the disposition of a cargo of flour captured from the British. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 970.

[1775.] Oct. 15. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Stephen Moylan [Portsmouth, New Hampshire] respecting the disposition of a cargo of flour captured from the British; urges haste. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 970.

1775. Oct. 16. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Col. [John] Glover and Stephen Moylan, Marblehead [Massachusetts] respecting the mission and equipment of privateers commanded by [Nicholas] Broughton and [John] Selliman [Selman]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1075.

1775. Oct. 16. **Jones,** Pearson. Falmouth. [Massachusetts, now Portland, Maine.] Deposition concerning the destruction of Falmouth. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1316.

1775. Oct. 17. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Capt. Ephraim Bowen [jr., Plymouth, Massachusetts] concerning commanders and fitting out of armed vessels. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1083.

1775. Oct. 17. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Rev. [Samuel] West [Plymouth, Massachusetts]. The General [Washington] has received his letter of the 11th. instant; [ ] Pierpont was mistaken about the horse; it was simply loaned as an accommodation; understands he is to return to the Army; may keep the horse till then. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

1775. Oct. 17. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to William Watson, Plymouth [Massachusetts] respecting the fitting out of privateers. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1083.

1775. Oct. 19. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Col. [John] Glover, Marblehead [Massachusetts] respecting the fitting out of privateers. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1084.

1775. Oct. 19. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head-Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to Capt. [Nicholas] Broughton [Marblehead ? Massachusetts] warning him against falling in with certain British ships. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1109.

1775. Oct. 19. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Stephen Moylan [Salem, Massachusetts]. Sends money; no news from Canada; urges the hurrying off of the armed vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1109.

1775. Oct. 19. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Major [Christopher] French [Hartford? Connecticut]. Has received his letter of — instant; Dr. [Benjamin] Franklin is in camp and, when other matters will permit, will consult with him on the question of wearing swords; the Philadelphia gentlemen state that the subject was ignored by them; can not continue this correspondence for want of time, but will take pleasure in making his "situation as comfortable & convenient as My Duty will Allow." Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Oct. 20. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Cambridge." Orders to Major Benjamin Tupper [in camp?] directing that the two vessels now at Martha's Vineyard and belonging to Holmes & Coffin, be seized. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1125.

1775. Oct. 20. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Capt. [Ephraim] Bowen jr., Plymouth [Massachusetts]. His Excellency [Washington] approves his conduct; instructions regarding the fitting out of armed vessels. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th, Ser., 3, 1125.

1775. Oct. 20. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to the Committee [of Safety] of Bristol [Massachusetts]. General [Washington] is fitting out armed vessels at Plymouth to intercept enemy's supplies; asks that Capt. [Ephraim] Bowen [jr.] be furnished assistance. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1126.

1775. Oct. 20. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Committee [of Safety] of Plymouth [Massachusetts] asking by direction of Gen. Washington for powder and assistance to Capt. [Ephraim] Bowen [jr.] for the armed vessels being fitted out. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1126.

1775. Oct. 20. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Col. [John] Glover and Stephen Moylan, Salem [Massachusetts] respecting a surgeon for the armed vessels; flag to be adopted for same; desires writing paper. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1126.

1775. Oct. 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Nathaniel Woodhull, New York enclosing deposition [concerning the burning of Falmouth]. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1316.

1775. Oct. 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Governor N[icholas] Cooke, [Providence?] Rhode Island enclosing information of the highest importance. "A Letter in the same words was written to Governor Trumbull of Connecticut" Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1316.

1775. Oct. 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Committee of Falmouth, Casco Bay [now Portland, Maine] concerning their request for powder and troops. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 182. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 130. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1167.

[1775.] [Oct. 24?] **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to James Otis [Watertown, Massachusetts]. After considering the enclosed paper the General [Washington] directs that he be informed that the prisoner is a person to be disposed of by the General Court [of Massachusetts], having been captured by militia. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

1775. Oct. 25. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Major [Christopher] French, Hartford [Connecticut] giving a final answer to his application to be allowed to wear his sword. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 131. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1197.

1775. Oct. 25. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge.] Letter to Col. [John] Glover and Stephen Moylan, Salem or Marblehead [Massachusetts]. Instructions for armed vessels; commissiaries to settle with agents etc. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1182.

1775. Oct. 26. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Major [Benjamin] Tupper. The General thanks him for his diligence in the enterprise [capturing a brig and schooner at Martha's Vineyard]; orders him to take the vessels to Plymouth. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1198.

1775. Oct. 26. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to William Watson, Plymouth [Massachusetts] respecting vessels captured by Major [Benjamin] Tupper. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1198.

1775. Oct. 26 **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Letter to John Schollay [Scollay] and others, Selectmen of Boston. By direction of His Excellency [Washington] acknowledges receipt of their letter to William Phillips; Col. [James] Robinson's [Robertson] request will be granted if Master [James] Lovell is set free. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1147.

1775. Oct. 29. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Capt. [ ] Coit [Plymouth, Massachusetts] respecting armed vessels, distribution of prize money and other matters. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer, Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1250.

1775. Oct. 29. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Capt. [Ephraim] Bowen [jr.] respecting the movements and fitting out of armed vessels. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1250.

1775. Oct. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Governor Jonathan Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut]. Will send the minutes of the Conference with the Delegates of the Continental Congress; Dr. Cheney's misconduct. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1249.

1775. Oct. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence, Rhode Island] respecting Capt. [Abraham] Whipple's intended voyage, vessels sent to the St. Lawrence river and the case of the Bermudians. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 135. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 187 (note). Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1250.

1775. Oct. 30. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Col. [John] Glover and [Stephen] Moylan [Salem or Marblehead, Massachusetts]. Capt. [Daniel] Adams is ordered to march immediately; [Lt.] Col. [William] Burbeck is preparing the ammunition; in [Reed's] absence in Philadelphia they will address their communications to [Edmund] Randolph. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1256.

[1775] Oct. [30.] **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts]. Major [David] Mason reports that a battery could be erected at Cape Ann "to the great Advantage and Security of the Place;" lack of artillery prevents supplying the material; suggests that the matter be laid before the House [of Representatives of Massachusetts]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1255.

1775. Oct. 30. **Randolph,** Edmund. *Aid de camp to Washington.* "Headqrs. Cambridge." Letter to the Committee of Arundel [Massachusetts]. Sends thanks of His Excellency [Washington] for returning the names of six persons unnecessarily absenting themselves from the Army. Signed E. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1255.

1775. Oct. 31. **Randolph,** Edmund. *Aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters, Cambridge." Letter to [Capt.] Ephraim Bowen, jr., Plymouth [Massachusetts]. Gen. Washington approves of his assiduity in procuring cannon; Governor's [Nicholas Cooke of Rhode Island?] order should be returned and a new one procured; wishes information when anything worthy of attention occurs. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser. 3, 1265.

1775. Nov. 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge" Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut]. Can give no assistance owing to the lack of engineers in the Army; encloses copy of proceedings of the conference with the Committee of Congress; congratulates him on the recovery of the Commissary-general [Joseph Trumbull]. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 138. Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1335.

1775. Nov. 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence, Rhode Island] respecting beef and pork for the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1335.

1775. Nov. 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp at Cambridge." Letter to Joseph Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut] respecting financial matters. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1336.

1775. Nov. 2. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge]. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth [Massachusetts]. Has received by Major [Benjamin] Tupper his letter of the 30th ult.; as [Watson] thinks Dartmouth safer than Plymouth, desires the vessels to be laid up there; perishable part of cargo to be sold at once; vessels and rigging to be appraised and cargoes stored until further orders; directs suspension of fitting out more vessels on account of lateness of the season; is impatient for his orders to march the company for the ship *Washington;* is to order forms for the guns sent that cartridges may be made; wishes to know the quantity of ammunition, sorts, etc. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Letter is crossed out and at the beginning and end is written: "(Not sent)"

1775. Nov. 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts] respecting scarcity of wood for the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1335. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 195.

1775. Nov. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to a Committee of the Council of Massachusetts: James Bowdoin, Col. [James] Otis, William Sever and Walter Spooner [Watertown]. [Joseph] Reed's private affairs called him to Philadelphia; is directed by His Excellency [Washington] to inform them that for that reason a copy of the minutes of the late conference [with a Committee from Congress] was not sent; encloses same. "A Copy of the above was sent to Matthew Thornton Esqr—President of the Convention of New Hampshire—4th. Novr. 1775—" Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

1775. Nov. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to the Committee of Safety of Dedham [Massachusetts] concerning David Parker's release from custody. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1352.

1775. Nov. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Camp." [Cambridge] Letter to David Parker [Dedham, Massachusetts]. By His Excellency's [Washington] command has informed the Committee of Dedham that there is no objection to his release. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1352.

1775. Nov. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to Samuel Goodwin [Pownalborough, Vermont] respecting a route into Canada. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1353.

1775. Nov. 5. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Capt. [William] Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts]. Directions concerning the disposition of his capture. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1368.

1775. Nov. 6. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts] concerning Major [Benjamin] Tupper's captured vessels; instructions and hopes respecting the armed vessels. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1377.

1775. Nov. 6. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge] Letter to William Watson [Plymonth, Massachusetts] respecting captured vessels and fitting out privateers. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1377.

1775. Nov. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Enoch Moody, Falmouth [now Portland, Maine], regretting that he cannot grant the assistance reqnested. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer: Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1377. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 144. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 199 (note).

1775. Nov. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. Edmund Phinney, Falmouth [Massachusetts, now Portland, Maine] ordering him to raise troops to prevent the landing of a force from the *Cerberus.* Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1377.

1775. Nov. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter of instructions to Col. Edmund Phinney [Falmouth, now Portland, Maine] ordering him to raise troops to prevent a landing of the British. Contemporary copy by Edmund Randolph and signed by him Go. Washington. 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1377.

1775. Nov. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to John Brown, Providence [Rhode Island] respecting powder and cannon. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1406.

1775. Nov. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth [Massachusetts] respecting sale of prize cargoes and movements of armed vessels. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1406.

1775. Nov. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Capt. Ephraim Bowen [jr.], Plymouth [Massachusetts] respecting prizes brought in by Capt. [ ] Coit, Capt. [Lion] Martindale's crew and other matters. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1406.

1775. Nov. 9. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown], Massachusetts concerning measures to prevent the spread of smallpox; James Sonthwicke's case. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1510.

1775. Nov. 9. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to [Capt.] Jonathan Glover, Marblehead [Massachusetts] respecting the disposition of cargoes and crews of captured vessels. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1420.

1775. Nov. 9. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Capt. Jonathan Glover, Marblehead [Massachusetts] respecting the proposed capture of British transports. "Same to William Bartlett, Beverly. same to Joshua Wentworth, portsmouth. Wm. Watson, plymouth." *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1420.

1775. Nov. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of contents of a letter sent William Bartlett [Beverly]. Ordered him to detain goods etc. in the *North Briton;* also sloop with fish etc. sent in by [Capt. Nicholas] Broughton; His Excellency [Washington] could not be troubled with disputes concerning the *North Briton;* requests the papers found on board the schooner from Ireland sent to camp. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Nov. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts] respecting the disposition of certain vessels captured from the British. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1428.

1775. Nov. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to the Chairman [Mark Wentworth] of Committee of Newbury Port [Massachusetts,] respecting the maintenance of friendships with the Penobscot Indians. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1429.

1775. Nov. 11. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Capt. Jonathan Glover, Marblehead, [Massachusetts,] respecting the seizure of an American vessel by Capt. [John] Manley. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1537.

1775. Nov. 11. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] advising the avoidance of all disputes with colonial authorities over the disposition of captured vessels. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1537.

1775. Nov. 12. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. Loammi Baldwin, Chelsea, [Massachusetts,] giving directions to be followed in seizing cattle for the Army. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1539.

1775. Nov. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull, [Lebanon,] Connecticut, and Governor [Nicholas] Cooke, [Providence,] Rhode Island, respecting the steps to be taken by the colonies in opposition to the tyrannical action of Great Britain. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1538.

1775. Nov. 16. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth, [Massachusetts,] respecting the examination of Charles and Jonathan Coffin and Sibelino White. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1568.

1775. Nov. 16. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Chairman of Committee of Safety of Northampton, [Massachusetts,] respecting the treatment of certain British naval officers held as prisoners. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1569.

1775. Nov. 16. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to the President of the New York Provincial Assembly [Nathaniel Woodhull, New York,] respecting military stores for the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1568.

1775. Nov. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Roxbury, Massachusetts]. Anticipates a sally from Boston; suggests the construction of batteries and the surprise of Castle William. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1593. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 222. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 161.

1775. Nov. 17. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth, [Massachusetts,] respecting the equipment and sailing of Capt. [ ] Coit's privateer. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1594.

1775. Nov. 18. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke, [Providence, Rhode Island,] respecting the disposition and payment of the Rhode Island colonial troops; congratulations on his election as Governor. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1604.

1775. Nov. 18. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth, [Massachusetts,] respecting the disposition of a cargo captured by an armed vessel. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1604.

1775. Nov. 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to the Committee of the Council [of Massachusetts], Watertown, respecting Capt. Aaron Willard's mission to Nova Scotia. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1665.

1775. Nov. 24. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Samuel Freeman, Falmouth, [Massachusetts now Portland, Maine,] respecting the defence of Falmouth. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1666.

1775. Nov. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to [John Brown, Providence, Rhode Island,] respecting the purchase of powder and the withdrawal of troops from Rhode Island. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1688.

1775. Nov. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to the Committee of Safety of Stonington, [Connecticut,] inquiring into the case of the sloop *Warren*, Capt. [ ] Denny, taken by [Capt. Nicholas] Broughton and [Capt. John] Sillman [Selman] in the Gut of Canso [Nova Scotia]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Nov. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to Jonathan Glover [Marblehead, Massachusetts]. Glover, [Capt. John] Manley and the owner of the sloop retaken from the enemy, and of which [ ] McGlethry was captain, are to settle salvage so that the General [Washington] will have no bother about it. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1775. Nov. 28. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward, [Roxbury, Massachusetts,] respecting the reenlistment of Connecticut troops. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1703.

1775. Nov. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts, [James Warren, Watertown,] respecting leaves of absence from the Army and decision of Massachusetts regarding monthly payment of troops. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1711.

1775. [Nov. 30.] **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Invoice of stores on British ship *Nancy*, captured by Capt. [John] Manley; "Compared and Examined by the origl. Invoice sent to Boston to Gen'l. Ward the 23 June 1776. to have the stores valued & found to be a true copy. Robt. H. Harrison." [Goods were appraised by Henry Bromfield esq. and Wm. Davis to £20,530 18s. 2d.] D. S. 7 pp. F°

Enclosed in a letter of Nov. 30, Washington to Congress read Dec. 11, 1775.
Printed with accompanying letter: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1721.
See also: *Nancy*, Invoice of stores on 1775, July 26.

1775. Nov. 30. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to John Hancock [Philadelphia,] respecting prizes taken by Captains [John] Manley and [Daniel] Adams. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1721.

1775. Dec. 1. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. Joshua Wentworth [Portsmouth,] respecting disposition of prizes taken from the British by American armed vessels. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 152.

1775. Dec. 1. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth, [Massachusetts,] respecting the mutinuous spirit of sailors, fitting out of armed vessels and [Capt. Lion] Martindale's affairs. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 152.

1775. Dec. 2. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] respecting the seizure of the sloop *Phebe* by Capt. [Nicholas] Bronghton. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 158.

1775. Dec. 2. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett and Capt. John Glover [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting the case of Capt. [ ] Hunter and crew. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 158.

1775. Dec. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. Alexander McDougall [New York,] urging him to forward cannon for the army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 178.

1775. Dec. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Jonathan Glover and William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting the capture of British merchant vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 179.

1775. Dec. 4. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Palfrey [Portsmouth, New Hampshire,] respecting the disposal of ships and cargoes taken from the British. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 178.

1775. Dec. 4. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] respecting the vessel captured by Capt. [Nicholas] Broughton off Cape Ann. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 178.

1775. Dec. 5. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* "Head Quarters" [Cambridge.] Letter to Capt. Peleg Wadsworth [Roxbury ? Massachusetts,] respecting the fortifications necessary for the defense of Cape Ann. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 193

1775. Dec. 5. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson, Plymouth [Massachusetts]. Information and instructions to be given to the privateers now at Plymouth. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 194.

1775. Dec. 5. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Committee of Safety, Salem, [Massachusetts,] respecting the brig *Kingston Packet*, Samuel Ingersoll, master, taken at Barington, Nova Scotia. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 193.

1775. Dec. 6. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts]. Sends £2000 for expenses attending military stores; orders him to pay all old charges and keep vouchers. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 206.

1775. Dec. 6. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Timothy Pickering jr., Salem, [Massachusetts,] respecting the defence of the town of Salem. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 206.

1775. Dec. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to John Pickering, Salem, [Massachusetts,] respecting the capture and disposal of the prize [*Kingston Packet*]. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

See: Moylan, Stephen. Letter to Committee of Safety of Salem 1775, Dec. 5.
Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 221.

1775. Dec. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [John] Glover [Marblehead, Massachusetts,] respecting the disposition of certain vessels captured by American privateers. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 221.

1775. Dec. 8. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Brig. Gen. [John] Thomas [Roxbury? Massachusetts,] respecting the recommendation of Capt. [Simeon?] Hazleton. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 221.

1775. Dec. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] respecting prizes taken. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 230. Extract, Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 271 (note).

1775. Dec. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting prizes; Capt. [Daniel] Adams is to cruise while his new sails are being made. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 231.

1775. Dec. 10. **Wasnington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Otis [Watertown, Massachusetts,] respecting a letter from Thomas Crafts [jr.] and the prevalence of smallpox in Boston. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1229.

1775. Dec. 11. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Thomas Crafts jr., Malden [Massachusetts]. His Excellency [Washington] wishes him to accept the vacant Majority in the regiment of artillery. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 236.

1775. Dec. 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to the Committee [of Safety] of Simsbury [Symsbury, Connecticut,] respecting prisoners. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 235.

1775. Dec. 11. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Roxbury, Massachusetts,] respecting prisoners. Signed R. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 236.

1775. Dec. 12. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter sent Dr. [John] Wheeler [Wheelock, Hanover? Pennsylvania,] respecting Major [Robert] Rogers. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 249.

1775. Dec. 12. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Rev. Dr. Ezra Stiles, Newport, [Rhode Island,] acknowledging receipt of the "History of America." Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 249.

1775. Dec. 13. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Loammi] Baldwin, Chelsea, [Massachusetts,] respecting danger to army from smallpox by persons coming out of Boston. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 255.

1775. Dec. 13. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts]. Capt. [John] Manley's activity; Capt. [Lion] Martindale has been captured. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 255.

1775. Dec. 14. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. Joshua Wentworth [Portsmouth, New Hampshire,] respecting disposal of cargo of sloop *Rainbow*, the two vessels in Winter Harbor and other matters. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 265.

1775. Dec. 15. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] respecting cannon and powder. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 284.

1775. Dec. 15. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] concerning disposition of cargoes of prizes. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 284.

1775. Dec. 15. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting stealing from cargoes of prizes. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 285.

1775. Dec. 16. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Ruth Tiley [Tilley], New Haven, [Connecticut,] respecting the exchange of [Ensign Edward?] Tiley [Tilley]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 291 (as to Mrs. Ruth Tilly).

1775. Dec. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence, Rhode Island,] respecting removal of cattle from Block Island and intelligence from Boston. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 298. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 284 (note).

1775. Dec. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge.] Information out of Boston: "Chelsea. Dec. 16, 1775." Mortar planted on Bunker Hill, scarcity of provisions in town and sailing of troops for Halifax. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Enclosed in Washington, George Letter to Nicholas Cooke 1775, Dec. 17. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 291 (as enclosure in letter to John Hancock, President, Continental Congress).

1775. Dec. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut,] respecting movements of the British. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 298.

1775. Dec. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Roxbury, Massachusetts,] respecting applications for liberty to go to the lines. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 298.

1775. Dec. 19. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Jonathan Glover, Marblehead [Massachusetts]. Order to deliver up to owners vessels sent in by [Capt. Nicholas] Broughton and [Capt. John] Sillman [Selman]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 357.

1775. Dec. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Loammi] Baldwin, Chelsea, [Massachusetts,] respecting [ ] Wiber's application to bring his family and others out of Boston. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 366.

1775. Dec. 21. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Brig. Gen. [Joseph] Spencer, Roxbury, [Massachusetts,] respecting [William] Peck's appointment as Adjutant of Col. [Jedediah] Huntington's regiment. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 376.

1775. Dec. 21. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward, Roxbury, [Massachusetts,] respecting [Lt. Henry] Champion's letter and prisoners to be sent to Simsbury [Symsbury]. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 376.

1775. Dec. 23. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Thomas] Church, [Prospect Hill?] granting permission to include Dr. [Ebenezer] Richmond in his abstract, as surgeon from Sept. 21. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 448.

1775. Dec. 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts,] respecting the scarcity of blankets for the army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 448. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 293 (note).

1775. Dec. 25. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Roxbury, Massachusetts,] directing that the hay on the marsh be removed or it will be burned. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 458.

1775. Dec. 25. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly [Massachusetts,]. Relates to need of corn and oats at camp; privateers. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 458.

1775. Dec. 26. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Brig. Gen. [John] Thomas [Roxbury, Massachusetts,] respecting the appointment of the two persons recommended for the Army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 466.

1775. Dec. 26. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to Jonathan Glover [Marblehead, Massachusetts,] reltive to sloop *Sally* retaken by Capt. [Daniel] Adams. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 466.

1775. Dec. 26. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts]. Application has been made to [Maj.] Gen. [Robert] Howe for an exchange of prisoners. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 466.

1775. Dec. 28. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] ordering advertisement of the sale of goods taken by the American armed vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th. Ser., 4, 466.

[1775.] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [Cambridge?] Data [for constructing earthworks at Lechmere's Point and other places commanding Boston]. A. D. 1 p. F°.

1776. Jan. 2. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Roxbury, Massachusetts]. Orders guard sent to take charge of military stores at Squantum. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Above letter is incorrectly dated 1775. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 542.

1776. Jan. 3. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Jonathan Glover, Marblehead, [Massachusetts,] William Bartlett, Beverly and William Watson, Plymouth, enclosing a resolve of Congress regarding the capture of prizes by American armed vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 563.

1776. Jan. 7. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Memorandum of a letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] concerning Capt. [ ] Coit's schooner. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 596.

1776. Jan. 8. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Memorandum of letter sent to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting guns from Capt. [Richard?] Darby, belonging to the ship *Lee.* Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 606.

1776. Jan. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to [William Bartlett, Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting fitting out of armed vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 625 (over Harrison's signature).

1776. Jan. 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Memorandum of letter to Col. [Joshua] Wentworth, Portsmouth, [New Hampshire,] respecting flour and potatoes taken in the ship *Rainbow.* Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 625.

1776. Jan. 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Memorandum of letter sent to Matthew Thornton, [Portsmouth,] New Hampshire. Acknowledges his letter of the 4th. inst., and gives assurances that [Col. David] Hobart's complaint will be inquired into when Col. [John] Stark returns to camp. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1776. Jan. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [Richard] Montgomery [Canada]. The needs of the Army in powder, blankets, clothing etc. are great; hopes for a quantity from Quebec as soon as possible. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 657.

1776. Jan. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Benedict] Arnold [Canada,] respecting conditions in Canada; congressional consideration of the new establishment of the Canadian army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 235. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 334.

1776. Jan. 14. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to [Col.] Joshua Wentworth, Portsmouth [New Hampshire]. Personal matters; hopes for the capture of store ships by "our cruizers." Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 679.

1776. Jan. 15. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts,] respecting account presented by Capt. [Peleg] Wadsworth. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 684.

1776. Jan. 17. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Beverly, [Massachusetts,] allowing British seamen to serve on the armed vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 709.

1776. Jan. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett, Plymouth, [Massachusetts,] respecting armed vessels, prizes etc. Signed R. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 793.

1776. Jan. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Joseph Denison, Stonington, [Connecticut,] respecting the capture of Capt. [ ] Denny's vessel. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 793.

1776. Jan. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Steven [Stephen] Moylan [Marblehead? Massachusetts]. Private signals used by the King's ships; news from Canada. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed; Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 793.

1776. Jan. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Jonathan Jackson, Newburyport, [Massachusetts,] acknowledging receipt of his letter of 16th. and other matters. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 793.

1776. Jan. 24. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to the Committee of Safety of Northampton [Massachusetts,] respecting prisoners. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 846.

1776. Jan. 24. **Gates,** Horatio. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* "Head Quarters," [Cambridge.] Letter to [Capt. E. H.] Stanhope [Northampton? Massachusetts,] refusing his request to be allowed to go into Boston. Signed H. G. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 847.

1776. Jan. 24. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Major [Joseph?] Hawley [Berkshire, Massachusetts,] respecting the raising of troops in Hampshire and Berkshire counties. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 846.

1776. Jan. 24. **Gates,** Horatio. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* Cambridge. Letter to [Lieut.] John Knight, Northampton, [Massachusetts,] refusing his request to be allowed to go into Boston. Signed H. G. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 847.

1776. Jan. 26. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] respecting Lieut. [ ] Wigglesworth and the ship *Harrison.* Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 857.

[1776.] [Jan. 26.] **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts,] respecting money voted by the province [of Massachusetts]. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 861.

1776. Jan. 26. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] concerning Capt. [ ] Ayres. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 862.

1776. Jan. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Whipple, [Portsmouth,] New Hampshire, respecting accounts. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 875.

1776. Jan. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Committee of Safety, Newbury Port, [Massachusetts,] inquiring about arms sent by [Maj.] Gen. [John] Sullivan to Portsmouth. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 875.

1776. Jan. 27. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [John] Sullivan [Cambridge?]. By command of His Excellency [Washington] desires an exact account of the $5682 paid to the soldiers; wishes to be informed as to how to procure the 215 stands of arms ordered from Newbury to Portsmouth [New Hampshire]. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1776. Jan. 28. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] respecting transports taken by Commodore [John] Manley. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 878.

1776. Jan. 28. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Commodore John Manley [Plymouth? Massachusetts,] respecting prizes taken. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 877. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 382. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 266.

1776. Jan. 28. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Chairman [Jonathan Jackson] of Committee of Safety of Newbury[port, Massachusetts,] respecting the great need of good arms. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 877.

1776. Jan. 28. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to the Chairman [Hunking Wentworth?] of Committee [of Safety] of Portsmouth [New Hampshire,] respecting arms ordered delivered by [Maj.] Gen. [John] Sullivan for use at Portsmouth. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 4th. Ser., 4, 877.

1776. Jan. 31. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to James Warren [Watertown, Massachusetts,] concerning regulations governing prizes. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 900.

1776. Feb. 1. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] respecting the disposition of coal taken from the British by Commodore [John] Manley. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 909.

1776. Feb. 1. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Cambridge. Letter to Timothy Pickering jr., Salem, [Massachusetts,] respecting the militia which Salem should furnish for her own defence. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 909.

1776. Feb. 1. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] respecting disposition of prizes and conduct of the captain who "so shamefully deserted his Commodore." Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 909.

1776. Feb. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to Winthrop Sargent, Cape Ann, [Massachusetts,] respecting the capture of the prize "*Henry & Esther.*" Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch, 4th. Ser., 4, 939.

1776. Feb. 4. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Memorandum of a letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] advising him that William Leech would deliver $2000, agreeable to his order. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1776. Feb. 7. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Matthew Thornton [Portsmouth, New Hampshire,] respecting complaint made against Col. John Stark. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 956.

1776. Feb. 9. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to the Committee of Springfield [Massachusetts,] respecting the treatment of prisoners. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 973.

1776. Feb. 9. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Levi Allen [Salisbury, Connecticut,] respecting treatment accorded [Ethan] Allen by the British. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 973.

1776. Feb. 9. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to George Gregory refusing permission for him to leave his place of confinement. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 974.

1776. Feb. 9. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Brig. Gen. [John] Sullivan [Cambridge]. By order of His Excellency [Washington] acknowledges the receipt of his letter; does not wish the attempt made to bring off the guard until Washington can see him. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°

1776. Feb. 10. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Major [Christopher] French [Hartford, Connecticut,] refusing him permission to go to Ireland. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 996.

1776. Feb. 12. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts,] respecting the advance of money upon prizes captured. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1018.

1776. Feb. 14. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Christopher Leffingwell [Norwich, Connecticut,] directing him to forward ammunition. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1147.

1776. Feb. 17. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Rev. James Lyon [Machias, Massachusetts, now Maine,] respecting his plan to secure Nova Scotia. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1182 (attributed by Force to Harrison).

1776. Feb. 17. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. James Easton [Massachusetts?] respecting recruiting and his rank in the army. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1182.

1776. Feb. 24. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Secretary to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts,] respecting prizes and the trip of Capt. James Hart and Jonathan Grindal to Virginia. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 1491.

1776. Mar. 4. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. H[enry] Babcock [Newport, Rhode Island]. By command of His Excellency [Washington] acknowledges his letter of the 3d. inst.; [Lt.] Col. [Rufus] Putnam is sick and operations of great importance forbid sparing an engineer. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 7. **Palfrey** ? William. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge.] Letter to [Col.] Jacob Bayley, Coos [Cohoes, New York]. Col. [Moses?] Little delivered his letter of 26th. ult. enclosing journal of Canadian Expedition by way of Massasisque [Capt. Thomas Johnson's journal] to Gen. Washington; thanks for same; copy has been sent to Congress; when their determination is received His Excellency will write him fully on the subject. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 11. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Bartlett [Beverly, Massachusetts]. Encloses papers he will need at trial of schooner and sloop to which they belong; by command of His Excellency [Washington] he will send immediately specified articles from ship *Concord's* cargo; if they should move he must acquaint the General and receive his orders for day of sale; requests account for those articles sent for General's private use, that "it may be settled before his departure"; particular account of cargoes to be sent on condemnation; the several [private] ventures of the *Concord* to be made out. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 11. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to William Watson [Plymouth, Massachusetts]. Encloses papers belonging to the ships *Norfolk* and *Happy Returns;* His Excellency [Washington] orders that he be notified of condemnation and he will appoint the day of sale. Signed S. M. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 12. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters." [Cambridge.] Letter to Col. [Henry] Babcock [Newport, Rhode Island]. By command of Washington acknowledges his letter of 10th. inst. with enclosures; not being favored with copies of what [Babcock] wrote, cannot give an opinion; the General will not interfere with the stipulations of the Newport Assembly but thinks all intercourse with British ships of war should stop; every advantage arising therefrom goes to the enemy and none to the colonies. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 14. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Alexander] McDougall [New York]. His Excellency [Washington] is making preparations to leave with the army; desires a house for himself and suite in or about Bowery Lane, as main body of the army will encamp thereabouts; needs a large house and big stable; Mr. [James] Delancy's old castle is too small; wishes a house-keeper or steward engaged. *Letter-book.*

1776. Mar. 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters. Cambridge." Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Charles] Lee [New York]. The military situation; British evacuation of Boston. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 224. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 315.

1776. Mar. 25. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* Cambridge. Letter to Col. [Joshua] Wentworth, Portsmouth, [New Hampshire,] respecting Capt. [ ] Frazier's petition and paroling the gentlemen belonging to the ship *Susanna.* Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 501 (in part).

1776. Apr. 1. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, Cambridge." Letter to Governor [Nicholas] Cooke [Providence, Rhode Island]. Has received his favor of yesterday and will give every aid in his power; [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene has been ordered to hasten his march with five regiments to Norwich, [Connecticut] by way of Providence; [Maj.] Gen. [John] Sullivan with the six regiments that marched Friday evening [March 29,] for Norwich will be ordered to Providence; if alarm should prove false Sullivan should be notified by express to continue his march; advises all stock to be taken from the neighborhood to prevent enemy from obtaining provisions; if it becomes certain that ministerial army intend making a landing on Rhode Island he [Washington] will soon be with him [Cooke]; wishes constant particulars; express should be sent Sullivan in any event whether alarm be true or false; has requested Sullivan to send teams and wagons; encloses letter to Sullivan. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

1776. Apr. 20. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Col. [Richard] Gridley ordering him to Cape Ann [Massachusetts,] to fortify the harbor. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 5, 997.

1776. Apr. 25. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Major [John Gizzard] Frazier [Fraser, King William Court House, Virginia,] concerning the settlement of his accounts. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1072.

1776. Apr. 28. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Col. Isaac Nicoll, Fort Constitution, [New York,] concerning the scarcity of arms and other military matters. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1116.

1776. Apr. 28. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [William] Thompson [Albany? New York,] respecting money matters and military affairs. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1113.

1776. Apr. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Col.] Jacob Bayley, Newbury, [Newburyport, Massachusetts,] respecting a route into Canada. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1113.

1776. May 2. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston]. Troops at Dorchester Heights and Bunker Hill are to give assistance necessary to complete fortifications. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1174.

1776. May 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. George Clinton [in the Highlands,] authorizing seizure of arms. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1174.

1776. May 4. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Col. Isaac Nicoll, Fort Constitution, [New York,] respecting the lack of arms and other military matters. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1189.

1776. May 7. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. [Alexander] McDougall [New York,] respecting officers' rations. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1229.

1776. May 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston]. Fortifications at Boston; military matters. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 436.

1776. May 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Isaac Sears [New York?] respecting tea. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 435.

1776. May 13. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. [David] Waterbury, Stamford, [Connecticut,] respecting his succession to command. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 436.

1776. May 14. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Lt. Col. [Benjamin] Tupper respecting intercourse with British ships of war and proposed attempt upon light house. Signed R. H. *Letter-book.*

1776. May 16. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston,] respecting military and financial matters. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 478.

1776. May 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. R[obert] V[an] Ranselair [Rensselaer, Albany, New York,] respecting repair of arms. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 490.

1776. May 19. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Lt. Col. Henry B[eekman] Livingston [Fort Constitution, New York,] respecting arms, fortifications and other military matters. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 507.

1776. May 19. **Moylan,** Stephen. *Aid-de-Camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston,] concerning military matters. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 507.

1776. June 7. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston]. Case of Lt. Col. [William] Burbeck; payment of troops. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 793.

1776. June 10. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston]. Lt. [Thomas] Machin to be sent to New York. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 793.

1776. June 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, New York." Orders to Major Peter Schuyler [New York]. Directs him to take command at the east end of Long Island. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 792.

1776. June 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters near the city of New York" Orders to Col. James Clinton [New York City?] concerning fortifications in the Highlands. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 893.

1776. June 15. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Col.] Joshua Wentworth, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, respecting captured vessels. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 909.

1776. June 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters New York" Orders and instructions to Maj. Gen. [Horatio] Gates "Commanding in Canada" respecting commissions, transportation and other military matters. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1052. Ford, Writings of Washington, 4, 171. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 433.

1776. June 25. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. Jacob Bailey [Bayley], Bulls Head, [Massachusetts,] respecting a road into Canada. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1068.

1776. June 25. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Lt.] Col. [Benjamin] Tupper. Has received information of boats passing through the Narrows; supposed the passage was guarded by his boats and is astonished to find it otherwise; directs that boats row across the Narrows every evening from dusk until sunrise; those concerned in late plot will try to escape by this passage. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

1776. June 27. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Brig. Gen. [James] Wadsworth, [Durham,] Connecticut. Weak state of the army, lack of arms etc. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1110.

1776. June 27. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters N. York" Letter to the President of the New York Provincial Congress [Nathaniel Woodhull,] respecting removal of all stock beyond reach of the British. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1110.

1776. June 28. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters N. York" Letter to Provincial Congress of New Jersey [Trenton?]. Howe's move on New York; weak state of the Army; calls for assistance. Signed J. Reed. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1124.

1776. June 28. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters New York" Letter to the President of the New York [Provincial] Congress [Nathaniel Woodhull]. Critical condition of affairs. Signed J. R. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1125.

1776. June 29. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Brig. Gen. [Nathaniel] Heard [New Jersey,] stating the necessity of removing all cattle etc. beyond the reach of the enemy's fleet. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1134.

1776. July 3. **Carey,** Richard. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Qrs, New York" Letter to Brig. Gen. [Thomas] Mifflin [Mt. Washington, New York,] concerning the scarcity of arms and militia matters. Signed R. C. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1215.

1776. July 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Qrs." [New York.] Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [Hugh] Mercer [Elizabethtown, New Jersey,] concerning posting of troops. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 1263.

1776. July 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to Col. Gold Selleck Silliman, Fairfield, Connecticut. Needs every man in the Army to ward off Howe's impending blow. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 39.

1776. July 9. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters N. York." Letter to Governor Jonathan Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut,] respecting the impending attack on New York and the dispositions to meet same. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 142. Extract, Ford, Writings of Washington, 4, 224 (note). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 451.

1776. July 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward [Boston,] respecting military matters, movements of troops etc. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 194. Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 461 (in part). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 461 (in part).

1776. July 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Governor] Jonathan Trumbull [Lebanon, Connecticut,] respecting militia, removal of stock and other matters. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

1776. July 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters." [New York.] Letter to Committee [of Safety] of Orange County [New York,] giving advice as to management of militia. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 336.

1776. July 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters." [New York.] Letter to Col. Rudolph Ritzema [New York,] respecting his resignation. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 333. Ford, Writings of Washington, 4, 247 (note). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 472.

1776. July 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters." [New York.] Letter to the President of the New York Provincial Congress [Nathaniel Woodhull]. Respecting passage of enemy up North River. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1401.

1776. July 29. **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* New York. Letter to Daniel Tillinghast, Providence, [Rhode Island,] acknowledging receipt of arms. Signed R. H. H. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 643.

1776. Aug. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [New York.] A return of artificer regiment. Tabular statement; arrangement of officers; rank assigned officers in this regiment does not affect their rank or pay in the Army. Note in Washington's handwriting: "A Copy of this was given into the Officers" D. S. 1 p. F°.

Names given in index.

1776. Aug. 7. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters. New York" Letter to Major [Christopher] French [Hartford, Connecticut,] refusing to allow his claim for release. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 1, 823. Ford, Writings of Washington, 4, 324 (note). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 4, 33.

1776. Aug. 7. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, New York." Letter to Col. [Samuel] Elmore [Albany,] directing him to place himself under command of [Maj.] Gen. [Philip] Schuyler. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 1, 820.

1776. Aug. 7. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* New York. Letter to [Judge Timothy] Edwards [Stockbridge, New York,] respecting employment of the Stockbridge Indians in the Army. Signed G. W. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 1, 822.

1776. Aug. 8. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters New York." Letter to Major [Christopher] French [Hartford,] respecting his exchange. Unsigned. *Letter-book.*

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 1, 823.

1776. Sept. 26–7. **Lasher,** John. *Col., New York militia.* Kings Bridge [New York]. Proceedings of a general court-martial: Trial of Benjamin Snow for absenting himself without leave; James McCormick for desertion and mutiny; Charles Bowen for robbery; Elijah Jones, Christopher Keil and Daniel Connel for desertion; Col. Lasher, president of the court; Snow acquitted; McCormick sentenced to death; others sentenced to be whipped; McCormick's sentence endorsed and signed by Washington. "The above sentence respecting the condemnation of James McCormick is approved of and Gen. Heath may appoint the time & place for execution that a Warr't may issue accordingly" D. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 2, 550-1.

[1776.] [Oct. 11?] **Washington,** George. *General and commmander in chief.* [Harlem, New York.] Recruiting instructions to [Col. Edward Hand]. Immediately to enlist all able bodied and willing men from the Pennsylvania militia; requirements as to age and physical condition; moral character must be good; no deserters to be enlisted; term of enlistment to be for duration of war; the rules for the government of the Army, published by Congress Sept. 20, 1776, to prevail; bounty allowed in money and land. 2 pp. F°.

Contemporary copy in Joseph Reed's handwriting. Instructions as issued are printed in Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 2, 993.

[1776.] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* Memorandum of the strength of Continental Army. Names of Colonels and strength of their regiments given. On verso are four proposed arrangements for a brigade. A. D. 2 pp. 8°.

Names given in index.

[1776.] **Continental Army.** Form of warrant authorizing the collection of blankets, clothing, etc., for use of the Army; certificates for same to be directed to James Mease; exact lists to be kept of articles collected. Copy by Tench Tilghman. 1 p. Q°.

[1776?] **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Warrant to Col. Israel Shreve. Is to convene a general court martial for trial of William Seeds and others; notice to be given to members appointed by him, of time and place of convening; empowered to call witnesses, examine testimony, pass sentence etc.; this to be his warrant for convening the court. Contemporary copy. 1 p. F°.

1777. May 25. **Fitzgerald,** John. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Morristown, New Jersey.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan, Princeton [New Jersey]. Messrs. Daniel and Samuel Hughes of Maryland have made application for their servants who have run away and enlisted; resolve of Congress only recommends that servants and apprentices be allowed to enlist; His Excellency [Washington] thinks that these servants should be given up; bearer waits for one of them who is in [Lt.] Col. [Edward] Antill's [Antil's] regiment. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1777. June 14. **Tilghman,** Tench. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters Middlebrook" [New Jersey.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan, Rocky Hill [New Jersey]. His Excellency [Washington] wrote him a few hours ago; fears that something has happened to the express so repeats the substance of the former letter; enemy advanced this morning to Van Ests Mill; skirmished with Col. [Daniel] Morgan's riflemen; number said to be 2000; reported that the main body has marched by the Brunswick road towards Princeton; requests an immediate account of condition of affairs in his vicinity; directs him to call in the militia as this is a general movement. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1777. June 18. **Tilghman,** Tench. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters Middle Brook" [New Jersey.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan [Garrison's Tavern, near Middlebrook]. His letter was received by His Excellency [Washington] about midnight; [Brig.] Gen. [Prudhomme] "D'Borre" reached Steele's Gap this morning; he need send no more troops; the enemy

1777. June 18. **Tilghman**, Tench.—Continued.

being without baggage cannot be pushing for the river; the move is probably a coup de main upon this army which [Maj.] Gen. [William] Howe cannot leave in his rear and attempt to cross the Delaware; his fire was seen and a mutual information signal will be agreed upon; the picket at Somerset Court House has been intrenching several days; advises against attempting a stroke on their wing near [Sullivan] as it is composed of their best troops. A. D. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1777.] [July.] **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* [Morristown, New Jersey.] Detailed route to be followed by the several divisions of the Continental Army on the march southward from Morristown [to protect Philadelphia from attack of Howe]. Contemporary copy in handwriting of Stephen Moylan. 4 pp. F°.

Incomplete.

1777. [July ?] **Fitzgerald**, John. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters near Thompson's Tavern" [Pennsylvania.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan [near Philadelphia]. By order of His Excellency [Washington] informs him that the Army is to retrace its march to the Reading road beyond the Trapp [a village 25 miles from Philadelphia]; orders him to move on a line between it and the Schuylkill; Brig. Genls. [William] Maxwell and [James] Potter will join him; orders that he light fires that the march may be unexpected and that he notify Col. [Stephen] Moylan to move in concert; requests him to send Maj. [John] Jamison [Jameson] and a few horse into Philadelphia to assist [Lt.] Col. [Alexander] Hamilton. A. D. S. 2 pp. F°.

[1777.] [Sept.] **Hamilton**, Alexander. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head Quarters Camp at" [Wilmington? Delaware.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan [New Jersey]. His Excellency [Washington] has received his last two letters; his force is intended for skirmishing only, but so soon as circumstances render it necessary, reenforcements will be sent; his information about the enemy being on the Brunswick and Princeton road is not well founded; they are taking their old position with their right at Amboy and their left at Brunswick; requests that he secure trusty persons at South Amboy to obtain intelligence of any preparations to move by water. A. D. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1777.] [Oct. 3.] **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* [Metuchen, New Jersey, 20 miles from Philadelphia.] Plan for the attack at Germantown. Disposition of troops under [Maj. Gen. John] Sullivan, [Brig. Gen. Anthony] Wayne, [Maj. Gen. Nathanael] Greene, [Maj. Gen. Adam] Stephen, [Brig.] Gen. [Thomas] Conway and [Brig.] Gen. [Alexander] McDougall; [Brig.] Gen. [Francis] Nash's and [Brig.] Gen. [William] Maxwell's brigades to form "corps de reserve" under Maj. Gen. [William Alexander] Lord Stirling; orders to [Brig.] Gen. [John] Armstrong, [Brig. Generals William] Smallwood and [David] Forman; attack to be made by McDougall, Smallwood, Forman, Conway and Armstrong; militia on flanks not to have cannon; baggage to be left; provisions in haversacks; pioneers to move in front of division with axes; disposition of pickets; attack to be made at 5 o'clock; col-

[1777.] **Washington,** George—Continued.
[Oct. 3.] umns to be within two miles of enemy at 2 o'clock and halt till 4; communication between columns to be maintained by light horse; flanking columns to be thrown out. Secretary's draft. Endorsed by Washington: "Order of March and Battle Germen Town 4th. Octr. 1777 " 3 pp. F°.

Compare: Washington to Congress, 1777, Oct. 5. Ford, Writings of Washington, 6, 93.

1778. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Orderly Book,
Jan. 1–Dec. 30. 1778, Jan. 1–Dec. 31, containing the "Orders issued by His Excellency—General Washington—Anno Domini 1778— . . Copied by Capt [John Singer] Dexter A[ssistant] A[djutant] G[enera]l Exd By Alexd Scammell A[djutant] G[enera]l" 1 vol. F°. pp. 439+21. Indexed.

1778. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Headquarters."
June 11. [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] General Orders. Brig. [Gen. John Morin] Scott, Lt. Col. [William] Brent and Major "Fibbs" [Caleb Gibbs?] appointed officers of the day; arrangement of the Major General's commands to prevent future misunderstandings; North Carolina brigade assigned to place of [Brig. Gen. William] Maxwell's in [Maj. Gen. William Alexander] Lord Stirling's division; 1st. and 2d. Maryland and [Brig. Gen. James Mitchell] Varnum's brigade to await orders of commander in chief on firing of signal guns; other brigades to march to their respective alarm posts; officer of the day to attend carefully to policing the camp; on testimony of [Brig.] Gen. [William] Woodford, Scott and others restores Lt. [Samuel] Jones to place and rank in the army; disapproves the sentence of the court-martial of which Lt. Col. [Peter] Adams was president, in case of Capt. [Edward] Norwood as entirely inadequate to the offense; in case of Lt. Col. [Adam] Hubley, accused of maliciously causing Col. [George] Nagle to sign a false return on account of Capt. [James] Long's absence, by permission of [Brig.] Gen. [Anthony] Wayne, acquittal of the court-martial is approved; acquittal of Capt. [ ] "of late [Col. John] Patton's regiment" charged with not assisting Capt. [Jacob] Humphreys, is approved; sentences in cases of privates William Powell, in Col. [Israel] Angell's regiment and Edward Connely, in Col. [Charles] Harrison's artillery are approved; grand parade is assigned in front of "Late [Maj. Gen. Thomas] Conway's Brigade." Contemporary copy. 3 pp. F°.

1778. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Valley Forge,
June [18.] Pennsylvania.] Order of march and route from Valley Forge to Newburgh [New York]. Composition of the five divisions and their commanders; brigades to occupy Philadelphia; time of march for the different divisions; schedule of distance to be covered on each day's march by the several divisions. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: N. Y. Hist. Soc. Coll., 5, 408–9. See also: Pa. Arch. 1st. Ser., 6, 662.

1778. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* West Point
[Sept. 19.] [New York]. Letter to Brig. Gen. [William] Woodford [Fredericksburg? New York]. Sends warrant for re-enlisting the Virginia troops of his brigade; orders him to direct the officer who will

1778. [Sept. 19.] **Washington,** George—Continued.
carry it to the Paymaster-General [John Pierce] to stop at headquarters for instructions; begs him to use every effort to facilitate the recruiting. L. S. and postscript in the handwriting of Washington. 1 p. F°.

1778. Oct. 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Qrs." [Fishkill, New York.] Letter to Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, President of the Senate and [William Fitzhugh] Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland [Annapolis]. A board of General Officers has been considering the disputes of rank in the Maryland line for several days; wishes to know just what powers in that respect are granted by their resolution of April 11, transmitted in their letter of [April] 18; tried several times last year to adjust the matter without success. Copy in R. H. Harrison's handwriting and signed by him "G. Washington." 2 pp. F°.

1778. Oct. 16. [**Tilghman,** Tench.] *Lt. col. and secretary to Washington.* Fredericksburg [New York]. Draft of information and questions for a council of war. Main divisions of British force are about New York and in Rhode Island; small detachment cutting wood in New Jersey; rumor that the [British] fleet at New York is intended for Boston; report that many troops are to be sent to West Indies; location of [American] troops including those under [Maj.] Gen. [John] Sullivan; queries prudence and advisability of sending a detachment to Boston, and the disposition of the Army during the coming winter; principal considerations affecting these questions; the Q[uarter] M[aster] G[eneral Nathanael Greene] has been directed to provide material for erection of barracks; results so far accomplished are shown in letter of [Asst. Quartermaster General Charles] Petit [Pettit]. A. D. 3 pp. F°.

1778. Oct. 22. **Continental Congress.** Resolve. "In Congress" [Philadelphia.] Directs Gen. [George] Washington to order Maj. Gen. [Horatio] Gates to take command at Boston. "True Copy. R. K. Meade A. D. C." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Journals of Congress of given date.

1778. Oct. 28. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Fredericksburg [New York]. Certificate of officers as to color of cloth for uniforms selected in accordance with Washington's suggestion. Clothing furnished in two colors, blue and brown; to prevent disputes following officers appointed to draw lots for the regiments assigned them; signed [Lt. Col.] R[obert] H[anson] Harrison, [Lt. Col.] R[ichard] K[idder] Meade, [Lt. Col.] T[ench] Tilghman, James McHenry, [Lt. Col.] Alexander Hamilton, [Lieut.] Henry Philip Livingston, [Major] C[aleb] Gibbs, [Col.] Alexander Scammell. In R. H. Harrison's handwriting. 1 p. F°.

See also: Washington, George Certificate of officers as to method of selection of cloth. 1778, Oct. 28.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Blue drawn by R. H. Harrison for North Carolina." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Meade,** Richard Kidder. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Virginia & Delaware Brown drawn by R. K. Meade." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Tilghman,** Tench. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Maryland Blue T. Tilghman." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **McHenry,** James. *Asst. secretary to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Pennsylvania. J. McHenry Brown." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Hamilton,** Alexander. *Lt. col. and principal aid de camp to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Blue Jersey A. Hamilton." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Livingston,** Henry Philip. *Lt., major Caleb Gibb's company, Commander in chief's guard.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "N. York Blue H. P. Livingston." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Gibbs,** Caleb. *Major, Commander in chief's guard.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Massachusetts. Brown C. Gibbs." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Scammell,** Alexander. *Col. and adj. gen. Continental army.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Brown Alexdr. Scammell, New Hampshire." 1 p. 1⅝ x 2 inches.

1778. Oct. 28. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Fredericksburg [New York]. Certificate of officers as to method of selection of color of uniforms. Procedure has been in accordance with Washington's suggestion in event of a surplus of blue coats after those entitled to choice have been supplied; signed [Lt. Col.] Robert H[anson] Harrison, James McHenry, [Major] C[aleb] Gibbs, [Col.] Alexander Scammell. In Tench Tilghman's handwriting. 1 p. F°.

See also: Washington, George Certificate of officers as to color of cloth. 1778, Oct. 28.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **McHenry,** James. *Asst. secretary to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "Drawn for Pennsylvania No. 4." 1 p. 3¼ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Scammell,** Alexander. *Col. and adj. gen. Continental army.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "No. 3. Alexdr. Scammell for New Hampshire." 1 p. 3¼ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Gibbs,** Caleb. *Major, Commander in chief's guard.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "For Massachusetts No. 1. drawn by C. Gibbs." 1 p. 3¼ x 2 inches.

[1778.] [Oct. 28.] **Harrison,** Robert Hanson. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] "For Virginia & Delaware drawn by R. H. H. No 2." 1 p. 3¼ x 2 inches.

[1778?] **Continental Army.** Form of warrant issued by Commander-in-chief for appointment of a paymaster, adjutant or quartermaster. Blank form. In R. H. Harrison's handwriting. 1 p. F°.

[1778.] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [New York.] Examination of Philip Miller, deserter from [Col. Oliver] De Lancey's regiment as to disposition of British troops [in the vicinity of Harlem?]. At bottom of verso is written: "Genls. Wayne & Scott & Messrs. Hamilton and Meade prove the order for attacking.—The Marquis" A. D. Endorsed in a different hand: "Intelligence from Deserters." 2pp. F°.

1779. Feb. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Headquarters, Middlebrook [New Jersey]. Letter to Col. [Jeremiah] Wadsworth [Camp Raritan, New Jersey]. Orders him to form a magazine of provisions at Pittsburg, [Pennsylvania] for 1200 men for four months; wishes same completed by May 1st. next or sooner. Two contemporary copies. 1 p. Q°.

1779. Feb. 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Letter to Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth [Camp Raritan, New Jersey]. Order of the 12th. inst. meant that supplies over and above those necessary for troops in that quarter should be laid up in magazine established at Fort Pitt; orders a similar magazine established at Sundbury on Susquehannah; supplies for Pittsburgh should be drawn from frontiers of Virginia and parts of Pennsylvania contiguous; those for Sundbury from west side of the Susquehannah; he will make returns on 1st of every month as to quantity of provisions on hand. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

Enclosed in a letter, Wadsworth to Col. Ephraim Blaine 1779, Feb. 15.

1779. Mar. 2. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters." [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Order to the Commissary General of Purchases [Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth, Camp Raritan, New Jersey]. A larger magazine of provisions will be required on the Susquehannah than that ordered in letter of the 14th. ult.; orders him to provide for 3000 men for three months; provisions to be procured as far as practicable from the west side of the river, to be "water borne" from Middletown to Sundbury; flour to be provided by May 1st.; cattle may wait until the troops move; provisions at Fort Pitt not to be dispensed with under any pretense. Contemporary copy. 1 p. F°.

Enclosed in a letter, Royal Flint to Col. Ephraim Blaine 1779, March 2.

1779. April 20. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Middlebrook [New Jersey]. Letter to the Commissary General of Purchases [Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth, Raritan, New Jersey]. Since orders of March 2d. finds it necessary that the magazines of provisions should provide for 4500 men; Col. [Ephraim] Blaine or the one in charge to be requested to have additional supplies ready; wishes to know by return express condition of the Susquehannah magazines and again requests monthly reports; wishes to know the state of supplies in the districts of his deputies. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

Enclosed in a letter, Royal Flint to Col. Ephraim Blaine 1779, April 21.

1779. May 13. [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* Middlebrook, New Jersey. An account of the various routes into the country of the Six Nations; distance and topography of intervening land given; water routes and character of the navigation to the various Indian settlements; above account obtained from the Delaware Indians in camp. A. D. 2 pp. F°.

[1779.] [May–June?] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [Middlebrook? New Jersey.] A summary of intelligence obtained from [Brig.] Gen. [Edward] Hand, Colonels [James?] Coxe [Cox?], [Samuel] Patterson and Charles Stewart "for the purpose of carrying out

[1779.] [**Washington,** George]—Continued.

[May–June?] an Expedition against the Indians of the Six Nations." Nineteen questions regarding the topography of the country, routes and means of transportation with answers thereto arranged in parallel columns, pp. 1–14.

"Extracts of Letters—& information from Sundry persons respecting the Indian settlements . . . distances of places—& practicable routes by Land and Water—" : Col. Zebulon Butler says that the distance from Chemung to Wyoming is 100 miles and the road "impossible" except by pack horses. Capt. [Benjamin] Stoddart [Stoddert] agrees with Butler respecting distance etc. from Chemung to Wyoming; believes "(but Genl. Hand differs from him in it)" that Indians can assemble 500 warriors exclusive of Tories at Chemung in a few days; there are several less powerful towns within 30 to 50 miles. Col. [Thomas] Hartley makes above distances the same; country is hilly and swampy; Chemung a place of general resort for Indians and Tories; distance from New Windsor to Wyoming "he calls 120 miles". p. 15.

Map of Cayuga or Tioga branch of the Susquehannah, "laid down by guess from an acct. in Br. Genl. Hands letter of the 31st. March 1779." Notes of distances etc. of various places given at foot of map. p. 16.

John Jenkins' account: Was taken prisoner in December, 1777 and carried to Chemung; it is a town of 40 or 50 houses; New town, 10 miles from there, contains 25 houses; from Newtown to Catherine's town is 20 miles through level open woods; Catherine's town is on Cenasedaga lake and contains about 30 houses; from hence to a town called Kindoi is 25 miles through somewhat closer woods; Kindoi has about 15 houses; Cenasedaga castle at head of the lake is 25 miles from hence; has 70 or 80 houses, a block house and is inhabited by Senecas; it is 25 miles to next Seneca town which has about 40 houses; it is 40 miles from this last to Indian settlements on the Chenessie [Genessee] river "called in [Lewis] Evans Map by the name of Kaskuxsie or L. Seneca River"; from hence to Niagara it is 100 miles through wet woody country; arrived at Niagara in December and left 25th. April; Niagara fort has but one row of palisades; 3 armed vessels are constantly in the river above the fort; garrison was commanded by Lt. Col. [Mason] Bolton; consisted of 200 regulars, 60 or 70 Tories, and Indians constantly coming and going; on being exchanged he returned by the same route until he came to Cenasedaga lake town, thence to Fort Schuyler visited towns in vicinity of Cayuga lake and Oneida castle; gives distances and describes intervening country; route to Chemung to Niagara via Cenasedaga is by Indian paths only; Chenessie river and Cayuga lake the only obstacles. pp. 17–19.

John Lord's account of the way to Niagara: Went up the Tioga branch to town in fork of Chenessie in 4 days; reached Niagara in 4 days more; from Niagara to Gerudegat creek "(the same probably which Evans . . . . calls Niederundaguat)" along Lake Ontario is 80 miles; marched to Cayuga lake where there is a large straggling village; marched from head of lake to Oswegy creek in 2 days; country from Gerudegat creek to lake is level and from lake to Susquehannah hilly. p. 20.

[1779.] [**Washington,** George]—Continued.

[May–June?] John Shawna is well acquainted with the country; gives a good account of it; if he can be depended upon will make a good guide. p. 20. Endorsed: "No. 1. Summary of Intelligence concerning the Susquehannah." 20 pp. F°.

Entire document with exception of endorsement is in Washington's handwriting. The nineteen questions and answers are arranged in four columns; answers of Hand, Cox and Patterson are copied in full, Stewart's are slightly condensed. The original answers to these questions are among the documents received by Washington, in the second division of this calendar. See: Hand, Edward Answers to 19 questions; Cox, James and Patterson, Samuel Answers to 19 questions, and Stewart, Charles Answers to 16 questions 1779 May–June.

1779. [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* Sixteen questions [propounded to Col. James Cox and Col. Samuel Patterson,
[May–June?] for obtaining useful and necessary knowledge to carry on an expedition against the Six Nations]. Navigation between Pittsburg and "Wenango" [Venango] is good; distance is 110 miles; navigation is good for 100 miles above Wenango; there are 2 Indian villages in that distance; distance from head of this navigation and also from Allegheny about 100 miles to the Seneca towns; country is level and there is a good pack-horse path through the Six Nations country; distance from head of navigation of the Allegheny to head of navigation of the Cayuga branch is supposed to be 80 or 90 miles; there is a path for pack-horses from one to the other; troops starting from Fort Pitt against the Six Nations would go up the Ohio or Allegheny river; they would first reach two Seneca towns about 50 miles above Wenango; distance from "Shamong" [Chemung] to Niagara is about 150 miles; most accessible settlements are Shamong on Cayuga branch and Catherine['s town] on what is called Cayuga lake; navigation is good to Shamong but no farther, country between there and Catherine is level; Six Nations can put 3000 men into the field; artillery can be transported by land from Shamong through the whole Six Nations; there is a good horse path from the canoe place, west branch of the Susquehannah to Wenango, a distance of 80 miles; people can be hired to visit the Indian towns and obtain all needful information as to situation, distances etc. A. D. 4 pp. F°

Questions and answers in parallel columns. Twelfth question asking for distance between these towns and Niagara and character of the country is left unanswered. Answers are in handwriting of Cox or Patterson. See also: Cox James and Patterson, Samuel Answers to 19 questions; Hand, Edward Answers to 19 questions; and Stewart Charles Answers to 16 questions 1779, May–June.

1779. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quar-
July 5. ters New Windsor" [New York.] Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [John] Sullivan [Easton, Pennsylvania]. Since sending his letter of June 23d. has received [Sullivan's] of June 29th.; is glad to find that the second arrival of stores was better than the first; has a letter from [Brig.] Gen. [James] Clinton of June 30th.; is apprehensive that he "will be exposed to imminent hazard from so great an incumbrance of stores"; will not interfere with his arrangements but begs him to consider the advisability of Clinton's sending back to Conojaharie all stores not necessary for his subsistence; approves his reaching Tioga before Clinton moves and suggests that he push on, if prudent, to Chenango; considers 1000 men

1779. July 5. **Washington**, George—Continued.
too many to detach for garrisons, escorts etc.; his operating force should be as large as possible; has written the Pennsylvania Council for a reenforcement of four or five hundred men to garrison such posts as he may leave behind, protect convoys etc.; letter will be pressing and pointed; sends intelligence received from Canada; from the account 700 men have joined the savages. D. S. 4 pp. Q°.

[1779.] [July?] **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* [West Point? New York.] Extract from instructions to Asst. Commissary General of Clothing [George Meacham?] at Newburgh [New York]. Proportionate issues to be made to 200 officers; maximum supplies to be allowed each; articles most needed to be supplied first; no officer to have both boots and shoes; scale of payment for all articles given; composition of militia staff named; line officers receiving state supplies not to be furnished. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. Q°.

Extract used as evidence in court martial of Asst. Clothier James Geary 1779, July 30.

[1779.] [Aug?] [**Washington**, George.] *General and commander in chief.* [West Point, New York.] A return of the troops employed in the Western Expedition [against the Six Nations] under command of Maj. Gen. [John] Sullivan. Tabular statement of number of officers and men in [Brig. Gens. James] Clinton's, [Enoch] Poor's, [Edward] Hand's and [William] Maxwell's brigades. A. D. 1 p. F°.

This return was prepared apparently as a vindication of Sullivan's charges that he had an insufficient number of troops for the expedition. See: Washington's letter to Sullivan, May 13, 1779, Sparks, Writings of Washington, 6, 264 and Washington to Congress, Aug. 15, 1779, Ford, Writings of Washington, 8, 8.

1779. Nov. 25. **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters West Point" Letter to Brig. Gen. [William] Woodford, Haverstraw [New York]. Wishes to be informed by return express when the division will leave Haverstraw; if [Brig.] Gen. [Enoch] Poor's brigade has arrived [Woodford] may take the short cut to Sufferans; on arriving at Pompton, [New Jersey] he will report to [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene, who is at "Minis town," [New Jersey] for orders; earnestly requests that the new clothes for the men be saved as much as possible while "hutting". Franked: "Go. Washington." 1 p. F°.

Signature lacking.

1779. Dec. 6. **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* Morristown [New Jersey]. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [William] Woodford [Camp]. It is highly probable that the Virginia troops will be moved south shortly; wishes the intention carefully concealed; he is to make every preparation to move but will continue to erect huts as heretofore. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1779. Dec. 13. **Washington**, George. *General and commander in chief.* Morristown, New Jersey. Letter to Brig. Gen. [William] Woodford [Camp?]. Gives route to be followed by the Virginia troops; enjoins vigilance to prevent desertions; compliments the corps; enlarges upon the duties of an officer. A. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 8, 135. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 6, 417.

1780. Jan. 22. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, Morristown" [New Jersey.] Circular letter to the [corps commanders?]. Inspector General's [Frederick William Augustus Henry Ferdinand Baron von Steuben's] reports show a condition of things as to discipline that can not be tolerated; number of absentees is far greater than it should be; each regiment is to be carefully examined and this abuse corrected; too many officers are furloughed at one time; number of non-commissioned officers excessive in some corps and insufficient in others; where this condition exists exchanges must be made; practice of employing officers in stations unauthorized by the establishment is to be stopped; encloses reports of the last inspection which show other defects; general regard for regulations is exceedingly slight; calls particular attention to absences in the 10th. Pennsylvania; Capt. [Jacob] Ashmead should be ordered to his post at once or superseded; light infantry in 3d. and 5th. regiments should be proportioned properly and the 5th. company's incorporation in the 9th. regiment rectified; one or two officers from each brigade should be sent to collect the absent men. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

1780. Jan. 27. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Morris Town" [New Jersey.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [Nathanael] Greene [Morristown]. Has considered the resolutions [of Congress] of Dec. 27th. and Jan. 14th. relating to express service; "it will be necessary for you to govern yourself by the first mentioned Act with respect to expresses except in the following instances—The Main Army The Post in the Highlands and at Fishkills [New York] and at Fort Pitt [Pennsylvania]"; number of expresses to be retained at these posts. Contemporary Copy. 1 p. Q°.

1780. Feb. 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Morristown [New Jersey]. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Arthur] St. Clair [Springfield, New Jersey]. Regrets that the state of the ice prevented his projected enterprise; orders him to headquarters on Monday next [Feb. 28th.]; court martial of Lt. Col. [John Eager?] Howard has been delayed for want of his evidence; invites him to dine on Monday. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. [March 21?] [**Harrison,** Robert Hanson]. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Morristown, New Jersey.] Copy of resolves of Continental Congress of March 8, 1779; June 28, 1779, and March 21, 1780. A. D. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Journals of Congress of given dates.

1780. [May 19?] [**Harrison,** Robert Hanson]. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* [Morristown, New Jersey.] Copy of resolves of Continental Congress of May 19. A. D. 3 pp. F°.

Printed: Journals of Congress of given date.

1780. May 26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Morristown [New Jersey]. Pardon of Emanuel Evans, Cornelius Nix, Thomas Brown, Joseph Infelt, John Earhart, Matthew Bell, James Hanley, Lancaster Lighthall, Thomas Clark and Thomas Colvin under sentence of death by court martial. D. S. Washington's seal attached. Countersigned "Robt. H. Harrison Secy" Endorsed: "Pardon sundry deserters May 26, 1780". 1 p. F°.

1780. June **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Springfield, New Jersey.] Memorandum of New Jersey militia. Numbers present and expected at Springfield; regiments by counties, numbers and commanders names. Various notes in Washington's handwriting. Endorsed by Washington: "An imperfect & more than probably—an enlarged acct. of the Jersey Militia at Springfield June. 1780" 2 pp. Q°.

Probably sent to Brig. Gen. Henry Knox. Names given in index.

1780. Aug. 20. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, Orangetown" [New Jersey]. Letter to Major [Henry] Lee. Has received a petition from Joshua Anderson in consequence of Capt. [John] Rudolph seizing his horse; [Washington's] orders directed seizure of horses and cattle of disaffected persons only; directs that the horse be returned. Contemporary copy with attestation and signature of Richard Varick "Secy. to the Commr. in Chief" 1 p. F°.

1780. Sept. 6. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters." [Hopper House, Bergen County, New Jersey.] Warrant to [Col.] Clement Biddle [Camp at Steenrapie, New Jersey]. Necessity compels authorization to impress forage and secure pasturage for horses of the army; same to be procured within 15 miles of camp; inhabitants to be indemnified for all seizures; this warrant to remain in force for 10 days. D. S. Countersigned by Robt. H. Harrison. 1 p. F°.

[1780.] [Nov.] [**Washington,** George]. *General and commander in chief.* [Passaic Falls? New Jersey.] Letter to Brig. Gen. [Edward] Hand [Camp?]. Orders him to take command of the expedition against the enemy's posts on north end of York Island [New York]; high opinion held of his abilities makes following observations to be regarded as hints and not positive instructions; success depends upon concealment and celerity of movement previous to the attack; boats on river to be stopped; van-guard to kindle no fires and men to be forbidden to walk about; is to wait until dark before passing Fort Montgomery and Dunderburg; confidential person to answer sentry at Kings Ferry; directs them to place where they are to remain concealed during the day; on following night are to proceed with same precautions to the rendezvous on Jersey shore where baggage is to be left and scheme fully unfolded to every officer; minute instructions to be issued and van guard to be told off under picked and tried officers; "is better to have hours to spare than to be two minutes after the time for the attack"; flanking boats to act as scouts; are to set adrift every boat along shore to prevent information getting across; landing to be made at Col. [Lewis?] Morris' [jr?] house, said to be [Brig.] Gen. [Thomas?] Musgrove's quarters; instructions for dividing his forces and lines of march to different points of attack, Forts Tryon, George and Knyphausen; strategy to be exercised; dispositions in case of partial success; signals to be used and their meaning; general instructions in case of repulse; line of retreat; notification of failure to be sent that supporting parties may countermarch. A. L. 8 pp. F°.

Much mutilated.

1781. May 22. [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* Weathersfield [Connecticut]. Estimate of troops that it is possible to bring into the field to operate against New York. Tabular statements; enemy's strength. Endorsed by Stephen Moylan: "May 1781 Estimate of the force which it is supposed we shall be able to bring into the Field in case of an operation agt. New York—A Copy of this was given to Count Rochambeau at Weathersfield". A. D. 1 p. F°.

[1781.] [June] **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [New Windsor? New York.] Instructions to secret agents in New York. Are to "inquire minutely" regarding size of garrisons in and around New York; report in detail all accessions or troops detached; ascertain if possible the size of forts, number of guns in each and disposition of troops upon an alarm; report number and size of ships in the harbor, also any details concerning reenforcements. 1 p. F°.

In handwriting of Richard Varick.

1781. July 1. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Peekskill, New York.] "After Orders." Hour of march and order to be followed; composition of the different divisions; [Major] Generals [Samuel Holden] Parsons, [Benjamin] Lincoln and [Robert] Howe to command divisions; Lt. Cols. [William Stephens] Smith, [Isaac] Sherman and [George] Reid to command brigades; instructions as to advance and rear guard; flanks to be protected; Quartermaster General [Col. Timothy Pickering] to furnish the route; rear guard to parade at 3 p. m. before "Commissary [Matthew?] Irwins Quarters"; "The Officers of the Day and those Commanding Battalions and Platoons will be answerable that no man quits his Platoon on any Pretense". Endorsed: "Peekskill, July 1st. 1781—After Orders—March of the Army". Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

[1781?] [July–Aug?] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [Phillipsburg? New York.] Estimate of French forces. Regiments and their strength; Bourbonnais, Soissonnais, Saintonge [Royal] Deux Ponts and Lauzun's [Legion]. A. D.

Fragment.

[1781?] [July–Aug?] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [Phillipsburg? New York.] Estimate of British troops in New York City. Rangers, Highlanders, Volunteers, Marine Artillery and City Militia. A. D.

Fragment.

1781. Oct. 20–26. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* [Headquarters near Yorktown, Virginia.] Regimental orders. Oct. 20. Brig. Gen. [Moses] Hazen's brigade to parade at 10 o'clock tomorrow; return to be made of axes issued during the siege. After orders: Congratulates Army on the glorious event of yesterday [surrender of Lord Cornwallis]; generous aid of French has contributed to the victory; extends thanks to the French officers, [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau, [Lt.] Gen. [Antoine Charles du Houx,] Baron de Vioménil, [Maj. Gen. François Jean,] Chevalier de Chastellux, [Claude Henri Count de] "Marquis" St. Simon, [Maj. Gen. Charles Joseph Hyacinthe du Houx Marquis de] "Count du" Vioménil and B[rig.] G[en. Claude Gabriel] de Choisy [Choisi]; Rochambeau requested to

1781. Oct. 20–26. **Washington,** George—Continued.

thank the French officers and soldiers and present "the Pieces of brass" to the regiments of "Agnois and Deaupoints" [Agénois and Deux Ponts].

Oct. 25.—[Regimental orders.] Appoints Brig. Gen. Hazen, Lt. Col. [Peter] Adams, Major J[ames] Hamilton, B[rigade?] Major [Capt. Richard?] Lloyd, [officers of the day] for tomorrow; Hazen's brigade to furnish guards; Inspector of the division that furnishes the guards will receive orders from Maj. Gen. [Arthur] St. Clair; [Brig.] Gen. [Anthony] Wayne's brigade will furnish the working parties. After orders: Directions regarding runaway slaves and mulattoes; D[avid?] Ross appointed superintendent of same; lists must be sent to Ross; discharge of firearms in vicinity of camp prohibited.

Oct. 26.—[Regimental orders.] Appoints Maj. Gen. St. Clair, Lt. Col. [Josiah] Harmar, Maj. [Evan] Edwards, B[rigade] M[ajor, Capt. Richard?] Cox [officers of the day] for tomorrow; Wayne's brigade to furnish working parties tomorrow. Contemporary copy. 4 pp. F°.

Incomplete. Part of after orders, Oct. 20, printed: Baker, Itinerary of Washington, 1775–83, p. 246. Complete orders, Oct. 20, 25 and 26, printed: Smith, Orderly Book of the Siege of Yorktown. pp. 45–54.

1781. Oct. 25. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Camp near York" [Virginia.] Orders to the Commissary General of Prisoners [Abraham Skinner]. Designates the different regiments of prisoners to be quartered at Winchester and those to be quartered at Fort Frederick. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. Q°.

[1781.] [Oct.] [**Washington,** George.] *General and commander in chief.* [Yorktown, Virginia.] Memorandum [of points to be considered in the capitulation]. Necessary "To answer the queries of Mr. [David] Ross." Respecting horses in possession of enemy, there are two points of view: dragoon horses and officers' horses, taken in action or stolen from citizens; best manner of benefiting the American officers to be considered; "to what extent Goods in the Clotheir's and Qr. Masters departmt. can be provided for the Army under the Articles of Capitulation." A. D. 1 p. F°.

1782. Jan. 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Transmits a packet received from Sir Henry Clinton; has mentioned to [Lt.] Col. [Jean Baptiste] Ternant that his exchange was complete; Capts. [John?] Bert and [Bellecour] le Brun are at Charlottesville [Virginia] with Col. [Charles] Armand [Tufin, Marquis de la Rouerie]; if [Francis,] Lord Rawdon is to be exchanged he should be considered a Brigadier; Brig. Gen. [William] Moultrie should be obtained for him. L. S. Endorsed by Rochambeau. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Jan. 16. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter and will make the utmost exertions to prepare for combined operations; congratulates him on the birth of the Dauphin. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1782. Feb. 9. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia,] relating to military matters and the campaign in the Carolinas. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 9, 441. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 236.

1782. Feb. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Requested him by letter of Dec. 10th. to grant passports on application of David Ross for vessels laden with tobacco for payment for goods purchased of British merchants at Yorktown; passports not granted by [Continental] Congress may not be recognized as valid by privateers; requests him therefore to refer all applications to Secretary of Congress [Charles Thomson]; has written Ross to this effect; has received his letter of 30th ult.; thanks him for advancing provisions to British hospital at Gloucester; requests him to continue to do so; [Robert] Morris will repay him; better to keep prisoners than to dismiss them on parole as violation of same by privates would take place and could not be detected; approves proposed exchange of convalescents captured on the ship *Bonetta* for equal number of British at Gloucester. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Feb. 21. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 5th. inst. to which [Washington's] letters of 9th. and 12th. will serve as answer; requested by letters of Jan. 14th. and Feb. 9, that he negotiate the exchange of Brig. Gen. [Francis] Lord Rawdon for Brig. Gen. [William] Moultrie; latter has, however, been exchanged for Lt. Gen. [John] Burgoyne; asks him to propose to Sir Henry Clinton the exchange of Rawdon for Brig. Gen. [Charles] "Scot" of Virginia; [Armand Louis de Gontaut,] Duc de Lauzun has arrived safe in France; the ship *Andromache* also is safe as answers have been received to [Washington's] letters sent to Spain. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Feb. 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donation de Vimeure,] Count [de] Rochambeau, Williamsburg, Virginia. Has received his letter of 10th. inst.; was sorry to learn of the loss of the ship *Diligente* commanded by Chevalier [ ] Clonard; approved in a former letter [Feb. 12th.] exchange of British convalescents for those captured in the ship *Bonetta*; the 120 incurables sent away with Capt. [ ] Richardson are good riddance; [Robert] Morris will reimburse him for supplies sent to those remaining; thanks him for his donation to "our Hospital" at Williamsburg; Lt. Col. [Francis] Mentges mentioned that his bill drawn on the Paymaster General [John Pierce] for 50 French crowns had been protested; explains; amount will be paid to [Benoit Joseph de] Tarle; news from the island of St. Thomas is true in part; [Francois Claude Armour,] Marquis du Bouillie [de Bouillé] and [Francois Joseph Paul,] Count de Grasse [-Tilly] landed on the island of St. Kitts and are now besieging the garrison of that place on

1782. Feb. 23. **Washington,** George—Continued.
Brimstone Hill; has news of an action between de Grasse and Admiral [Viscount Samuel] Hood; thanks him for celebrating his birthday. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

1782. Mar. 19. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Movements of the French Army in Virginia and of the enemy in South Carolina and Georgia; naval victories. L. S 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 259. Mag. Amer. Hist. 7, 25.

1782. Apr. 23. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of the 6th. inst. with communication of [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene of 10th. ult.; is persuaded that no reenforcement will be sent from New York to the Carolinas by the enemy; is impatient for news from Europe; will meet him as proposed as soon as occasion shall demand; transports from Charleston have brought some broken corps captured with [Charles] Lord Cornwallis; the rumored intention of the enemy to take another port would benefit [the American cause]. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1782. May 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Newburgh, New York.] Letter to [Lt.] Gen. James Robertson [New York]. Has received his letter of 1st. inst.; has not receded from position taken in letter of April 21st. to Sir Henry Clinton; orders have been given to select a British officer for retaliation. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 2. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 281.

1782. May 5. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure, Count de Rochambeau, Williamsburg, Virginia,] concerning present situation of affairs and army matters. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 288. Mag. Amer. Hist. 7, 25.

1782. June 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count [de] Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia,] concerning approaching campaign. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 314. Mag. Amer. Hist. 7, 26.

1782. June 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count [de] Rochambeau [Williamsburg, Virginia]. Received his letter of 8th. inst. at moment of sending enclosed one; agrees with his idea of not moving the French troops but leaves it entirely with him to act as circumstances demand; places no reliance on news of the evacuation of Charlestown [South Carolina] and Savannah [Georgia]; believes contrary is the case; has many things to communicate that he will not trust to paper. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Aug. 4. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Newburgh [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Baltimore, Maryland]. Apologizes for opening enclosed letter by mistake; was expecting dispatches from Sir Guy Carleton; enemy are detaching from New York three regiments said to be for Charleston [South Carolina]; cannot tell if the French fleet now on the coast will divert them. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1782. Aug. 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters," [Newburgh, New York.] Letter to [Louis Philippe de Regaud,] Marquis de Vaudreuil [Boston,] respecting his proposed attack on Penobscot. Contemporary copy. 7 pp. F°.

Enclosed in Washington, George Letter to Rochambeau 1782, Aug. 11.

1782. Aug. 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Baltimore, Maryland]. Has received his letter and correspondence with [Louis Philippe de Regaud,] Marquis de Vaudreuil by [Brig.] Gen. [Claude Gabriel] "de Choisey" [Choisi]; encloses copy of [Washington's] letter to Vaudreuil and also copy of letter to Governor [John] Hancock [of Massachusetts] on the subject; is sorry to hear of sickness among his troops; much talk from New York of peace negotiations. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Aug. 16. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Baltimore, Maryland,] concerning probabilities of peace and advising a junction of forces. L. S. 5 pp. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 63. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 33 (with omission). Mag. Amer. Hist. 7, 27.

1782. Sept. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Verplancks Point, New York.] "Sunday." Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Verplancks]. Visited the old camp site at Philipsburg [New York]; pasturage and forage obtainable there is good; gives reasons for moving the Army to that place; can put a temporary stop to any expedition to West Indies attempted by the enemy; if move is decided upon, cannot be ready on account of teams before end of this or beginning of next week. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1782. Nov. 3. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Hartford, Connecticut]. Has received his letter of 30th. ult.; in last letter informed him that 14 ships of the line and 7 frigates had sailed from New York on 26th. ult.; has not heard of the remainder sailing nor of the evacuation of Charleston [South Carolina]; nothing has transpired beyond what is in enclosed papers; encloses several letters to his care; one to [Louis Philippe de Regaud,] Marquis de Vaudreuil, which he will please forward. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1782. Nov. 12. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Newburgh, New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Bolton? Connecticut]. Received his letter from Bolton; packet for the Minister of France [Anne César Chevalier de la Luzerne] was forwarded at once; has no positive intelligence of the evacuation of Charleston but thinks it has taken place; will inform him as soon as it is certain. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1782. Nov. 25. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters" [Newburgh, New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Providence? Rhode Island]. Has received his letter of 22d.; the packet for the [French] Minister [Anne César Chevalier de la Luzerne] was forwarded; has no direct advices from Charleston [South Carolina]; encloses latest New York and Philadelphia papers; when he has finished with them wishes them forwarded to the Admiral [Louis Philippe de Regaud, Marquis de Vaudreuil]; reports of [Richard] Lord Howe's fleet and surrender of Gibraltar not very authentic; has accounts that four British regiments are under orders at New York for embarkation. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1782–83. Nov. 26–Jan. 17. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Orderly Book containing orders issued at Newburgh, New York, 1782, Nov. 26–1783, Jan. 17. At the close is a translation of a letter from the Chevalier de la Luzerne to Gen. Washington and the American Army, in response to congratulations on the birth of the Dauphin. 1 vol. 8°. pp. 126.

1782. Dec. 14. **Washington,** George, *General and commander in chief.* Newburgh [New York]. Letter to His Excellency Elias Boudinot [Philadelphia]. Subscribed 20 or 25 guineas last winter towards the support of the children of the late Rev. [James] Caldwell; now wishes to know to whom he should pay the money; Mrs. [Martha] Washington sends her regards. A. L. S. 1 p. 8°.

1782. Dec. 14. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Newburgh [New York]. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Newburgh]. Cannot permit a departure from "this Country without repeating to you the high sense I entertain of the Services you have rendered America"; expresses the feelings of his personal friendship; wishes him a safe voyage. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 116. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 368.

1782. Dec. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Philadelphia,] respecting the two cannon presented by Congress. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 116 (note). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 368 (note).

1783. Feb. 9. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Newburgh [New York]. Extracts from general orders. Orders a board of all the general officers in the cantonment to meet on Thursday next

1783. **Washington,** George—Continued.

Feb. 9. [Feb. 12th.] at place to be designated by Maj. Gen. [Horatio] Gates to consider Brig. Gen. [Moses] Hazen's memorial respecting a court martial and the conduct of [Thomas] Edwards, Judge-Advocate thereof.

Feb. 20. Above board having considered the memorial and dismissed the first charge as being without the jurisdiction of a military court and found the second and third charges unsupported, the Commander in chief [Washington] approves the foregoing report. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

1783. **Walker,** Benjamin. *Lt. col. and aid de camp to Washington.* "Head
Feb. 16. Quarters" [Newburgh, New York.] Letter to Maj. Gen. [Horatio] Gates, Ellison's [near New Windsor, New York]. His Excellency [Washington] wishes opinion of board of general officers as to extent of operation of a sentence of an officer by a court-martial, to suspension for a given time. A. L. S.

Reply to above: Opinion of board is that the officer so sentenced is suspended from "Command pay and all other emoluments & is not under military control." A. L. S., "Horatio Gates—Maj. Gen. Presdt." Endorsed by Gates: "Report of a Board of General Officers held 16th Feby. 1783 Cantonment of New Windsor—Present: Major Generals Gates, Howe, Knox—Brigadier Generals Huntington, Hand, Dayton, Putnam." 2 pp. F°.

1783. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Newburgh [New
April 3. York]. Extracts from general orders. Appoints Brig. Gen. [Jedidiah] Huntington and Colonels [Philip Van] Cortlandt and [Lewis] Nicola a court of inquiry to examine into the conduct of Brig. Gen. [Moses] Hazen and other officers respecting their assertions concerning Major James R[andolph] Reid.

May 29. Accepts the following report of the court ordered on April 3, and directs that it be made public: From an investigation of the court martial of Gen. Hazen in 1780, Brig. Gen. [John] Stark President, the court cannot find reason to justify the assertions alluded to in above orders. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

1783. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quar-
May 3. ters" [Newburgh, New York]. Proclamation announcing decision of a board of officers, Brig. Gen. [James] Greaton, President, and voting Sergt. Elijah Churchill, 2d. regiment of light dragoons "Honorary Badge of Military Merit" for gallant action at Fort St. George and Fort Stongo, Long Island. "By His Excellency's Command Jona. Trumbull Junr. Secy." Endorsed: "Certificate for Badge of Military Merit granted to Sergeant Churchill 2d. Light Dragoons to Sergt. Brown 5th. Connt. to Sergeant Bissell 2d. Connt."

On verso is written a resolve of the Continental Congress, [Philadelphia] April 23, 1783, establishing the time of expiration of enlistments and allowing non-commissioned officers and privates to retain their arms on being mustered out. Contemporary copy. 1 p. F°.

Resolve of Congress printed: Journals of Congress of given date.

1783. May 10. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Qrs. Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris]. Congratulates him on his safe arrival [in France]; acknowledges the great help given by France in the Revolution; country has become tranquil since the preliminary articles were ratified; British still continue at New York; has had a conference with [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Guy] Carleton at Dobbs Ferry [New York]; was informed by him that he had sent 6,000 Refugees or Loyalists to Halifax and other parts of Nova Scotia; he is making efforts to have his troops withdrawn; nothing definite can be considered until the anxiously looked for definitive treaty arrives. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1783. June 11. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters, Newburgh" [New York.] Circular letter to [the Governors of the different States] on disbanding the Army. The four great objects necessary to be kept in view to insure a stable and lasting government are dwelt upon at length and the troops that served under him are recommended to the care of the States. L. S. 20 pp. F°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 254, under date of June 8. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 8, 439, under date of June 8. Copies of this letter are dated June 8 and June 18. It was presented to Congress for approval June 11.

1783. June 24. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* "Head Quarters Newburgh" [New York.] Letter to the general officers of the Army. Requests their opinion on three questions proposed concerning the controversy between Brig. Gen. [Moses] Hazen and Major [James Randolph] Reid; encloses original papers on the subject; gives list of papers enclosed. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1783. Oct. 15. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Princeton [New Jersey]. Letter to Lt. Gen. [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris?]. Thanks him for kind sentiments in his letters of April 14th and July 13th; as mentioned in letter of May 10th [Washington] does not think he can visit France; Congress is to establish its permanent seat on the Falls of the Delaware, near Trenton; expects to remain with Congress until the arrival of the definitive treaty or until New York is evacuated; then expects to retire to private life; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Guy] Carleton has sent word he will evacuate [New York] by Nov. 20th; in course of last summer made a tour of Lakes George and Champlain, up Mohawk river to Fort Stanwick, crossed to Wood Creek and on return viewed Lake Otsego at head of eastern branch of the Susquehannah; nothing new has happened except the arrival of [Peter John] Van Berkel, the Dutch Minister, and a number of foreigners. A. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

1783. Oct. 29. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Rocky Hill, [four miles north of Princeton,] New Jersey. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris?]. The officers of the American Army before separating formed themselves into a society of friends under the name of the Cincinnati; [Washington] has been made President General; takes pleasure in informing him that he and the generals and colonels of his army then in America are considered members; Major [Peter

1783. Oct. 29. **Washington,** George—Continued.

Charles] L'Enfant will deliver this letter and is charged with the execution of the American officers' "Orders"; requests Rochambeau to deliver the "Orders" to his officers; will transmit the diplomas as soon as they are completed. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1783. Nov. 1. **Washington,** George. *General and commander in chief.* Princeton [New Jersey]. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count [de] Rochambeau [Paris?]. Since writing last, a fortnight ago, has received his letter of April 24th. through kindness of [Maj.] Gen. [Louis Lebèque, Chevalier] Duportail; declines invitation of the King [Louis XVI] to visit France; has just received news of signing of the Definitive Treaty of Peace at Paris, Sept. 3d; presents his compliments to [Col. Donatien Marie Joseph de Vimeure,] Viscount de Rochambeau and other French officers who served in America. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1783. Dec. 26. **Maryland,** [State] Annapolis. Account of arrival and entertainment of Washington.

Address of Governor W[illiam] Paca and the General Assembly to Washington. The great work he has accomplished; wishes for his continued health and prosperity.

Washington's answer to above. Will remember the pleasing welcome received; his wishes for the prosperity of Maryland.

General Assembly of Maryland. Congratulatory address to Washington, Annapolis, Dec. 22, 1783. The high sense entertained of his valorous and patriotic actions.

Washington's answer to above. Acknowledges the interposition of Providence in bringing about the success of the recent conflict. Contemporary copy. 4 pp. F°.

1784. Feb. 22. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Arthur] St. Clair [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter of Jan. 29th., in response to his circular letter of Dec. 28th. [as Prest. of the Society of the Cincinnati]; is sorry to find his State will be poorly represented at the general meeting in May; hoped the first meeting of the society would be well attended and desires that [St. Clair] will endeavor to be present. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1784. May 15. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris?]. His letters to the Society of the Cincinnati have been read with attention; gratefully acknowledges the liberal subscriptions of the French officers; regrets that the national donation cannot be accepted; Count de la Lancour by sending a detachment from St. Domingo at his own risk is entitled to a membership in the society; the claims with memorials, petitions and letters relative thereto, will be sent to the society in France with a copy of the "institution" as amended and a circular letter containing the reasons for such amendments. L. S. "Go. Washington, Presidt." 2 pp. F°.

1784. May 16. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris?] recommending [Charles] Armand [Tufin,] Marquis de la Rouerie. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 9, 44.

1784. May 17. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Paris?]. Will gain full knowledge of the proceedings and actions of the Society of the Cincinnati from the official letters and other proceedings of the general meeting held at [Philadelphia]; that part of the society in France must decide hereafter upon the claims of their countrymen to membership. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1784. Aug. 20. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?] concerning his appointment to Governorship of Picardy and Society of the Cincinnati matters. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 10, 400. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 9, 55.

1784. Nov. 25. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais]. Has received his letter of Sept. 9th. enclosing copy of letter from [Col. Louis Philippe] Marquis de Segar [Ségur]; expresses appreciation of the attention the King [Louis XVI] bestows on the Order of the Cincinnati; the pleasure of Prince Henry of Prussia in viewing [Washington's] picture is very flattering. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1785. Sept. 7. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?]. Has received his letters of Sept. 9, [1784] and Feb. 24, [1785] the first enclosing list of new promotions and additional members of the Society of the Cincinnati as consented to by the King [Louis XVI]; as he has been informed by [Marie Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier] Marquis de la Fayette, [Washington's] time is now spent in rural pursuits; the British still hold the ports on the Great Lakes; with respect to the Spaniards thinks that the navigation of the Mississippi is of no importance at present; when the west is settled those settlers "will not be deprived of natural advantages"; encloses letter and original papers for Capt. [ ] de Pusignan A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1785. Dec. 1. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?]. Franklin's election to Governorship of Pennsylvania; condition of the United States; a spark would set the country in a blaze. A. L. S. 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 9, 149.

1786. July 31. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?]. Chances of war; treaty with Prussia; British still holding the frontier posts; death of Gen. [Nathanael] Greene. A. L. S. 4 pp. Q°.

1787. May 11–Nov. 15. [**Washington,** George.] Diary from May 11 to Nov. 15, 1787 including the period of attendance at the Federal Convention at Philadelphia.

May 11. Baltimore, Skerret's Tavern, Havre de Grace; May 12, Havre de Grace, Head of Elk, Wilmington; May 13, Wilmington, Chester, Philadelphia; May 14–Sept. 17, Philadelphia; Sept. 18, Philadelphia, Chester; Sept. 19, Chester, Wilmington, Head of Elk; Sept. 20, Head of Elk, Havre de Grace, Skerret's Tavern;

1787. [**Washington,** George]—Continued.
May 11–Nov. 15. Sept. 21, Baltimore, "Major Snowden's"; Sept. 22, Bladensburg, Georgetown, Alexandria, Mt. Vernon; Sept. 23–Nov. 15, Mt. Vernon. A. D. 71 pp. 12°.

Diary, May 11–Sept. 22 printed with omissions: Pa. Mag. of Hist. & Biog. XI, 296–308, Philadelphia Times, July 13, 1887. The volume is probably the original notebook from which the amplified diary, now in the Department of State, was written at a later period.

1788. May 28. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?]. Introduces [Joel] Barlow, an author well known in literary circles; author of "an admirable Poem" ["The Vision of Columbus" Hartford, 1787]; nothing worthy of mention has happened since last writing except the adoption of the Constitution by Maryland, by a very great majority. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1788. Nov. 27. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau [Calais?]. Commends Gouverneur [Morris] to his attention as he will pass through Calais on his way to England; in America everything is peaceful; is sorry to see signs of a general war in Europe; deplores the effusion of blood; [Rochambeau] has his best wishes "in peace or in war". A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1790. April 26. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* New York. Letter to "Lieutt. Genl." [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau, "Calais or Paris". Has received his letter of April 3d., [1789]; introduces [Elias?] Horry of South Carolina. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1793. Jan. 30. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. William Washington [Charleston, South Carolina]. His letter of October 15th, [1792] to Major G[eorge] A[ugustine] Washington reached the latter at Col. [Burwell] Bassett's, New Kent, Virginia; had sailed thither about the middle of October for his health; by last accounts the Major is alive, but so low as not to be able to survive many days; balance due on account of "Royal Gift" [jackass] to be forwarded in most convenient manner; is too late in the season to send him safely to Mt. Vernon; commits him to his care for another season. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1793. Jan. 31. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Charles "Thompson" [Thomson, Philadelphia?]. Wishes to appoint him a commissioner to treat for peace with the Western Indians. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

A similar letter addressed to Charles Carroll, of Carrolton is printed in Ford, Writings of Washington, 12, 257, under date of Jan. 23, 1793.

1793. July 21. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. B[urgess] Ball [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 11th inst.; thanks [William] Fitzhugh for his confidence; has sent Howell Lewis to Mt. Vernon [as manager]; would have preferred his brother Lawrence; could place confidence in him; prefers a single man; married man adds to

1793. July 21. **Washington,** George—Continued.
expense; Lawrence Lewis reported about to be married; [Washington] will probably apply [to Ball] for buckwheat as his own supply is exhausted. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.
Printed in part: Ford, Writings of Washington, 12,303.

1793. Aug. 11. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. John Fitzgerald [Alexandria, Virginia]. Letter of the 3d inst. received; if there has been a written agreement between [Anthony] Whiting and the Alexandria tenant, will abide by it; if not, cannot permit tenant to remain; well remembers the conversation with him; had been told by his "deceased nephew" Major [George Augustine] Washington of tenant's agreement as to fence; leaves the entire matter to Fitzgerald; is pleased to learn of the flourishing condition of the Potomac [Navigation Company]; policy and interest point towards the Shenandoah. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1793. Aug. 18. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia; Letter to "Fanny" [Frances Washington, Virginia]. Was unable last Sunday [11th.] to answer her letter of 7th. inst.; always wishes to aid by advice in the management of her estate; the sentiments expressed in his letter of June 10th. the best he could form under recollections of the will of the testator [George Augustine Washington]; deems it best to "allot the Negros" in Fairfax and Berkeley [counties] in the manner proposed in her letter of the 7th.; her ideas would not change conditions in Berkeley; [Washington's] plan of a man and boy and two plows would accomplish same result with less expense; is too late this season to try this experiment; suggests looking about for a new overseer; farm seems to be of inconvenient size; a man and wife just from England would be the best managers. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1793. Sept. 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Gouverneur Morris [Paris]. Introduces [Tobias] Lear; latter is possessed of Washington's entire confidence and will give true information as to affairs in America; mercantile interests have taken [Lear] to Europe for a short time. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1793. Sept. 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Thomas Pinckney [London]. Though [Tobias] Lear is already known to him, must give him this letter of introductiou; his services entitle [Lear] to [Washington's] warmest friendship; can give best account of state of affairs in America; mercantile matters take him to Europe. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1794. Feb. 23. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Bushrod [Washington, Virginia]. Letter of 13th. inst. with enclosures received; has put his signature to drafted answer and returns same "with the Bill"; "renunciation" of the executorship of will of Col. [George William] Fairfax stands on record in the General Court; desires no agency nor administration in the estate; is pleased to hear of his success in law; "let

1794. Feb. 23. **Washington,** George—Continued.
honor & probity be your polar star"; Aunt [Martha Washington] and all join in regards to him and "Nancy" [Anne Blackburn, Bushrod's wife]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1794. March 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Lt. Col.] John Francis Mercer [Annapolis, Maryland]. Has received from [John] Gwinn deed [of manor of Woodstock, Montgomery county, Maryland,] from himself and lady, Dr. [James] Stuart and lady and Miss [Elizabeth] Spriggs to him; it is not the same as that executed at Philadelphia a year before; wishes to know the reason for changes; no record of survey is attached to this deed; believes it imperfect; will write to Gwinn about it; Mercer's draft in favor of Stuart was paid at sight. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1794. Mar. 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to William Herbert [Alexandria, Virginia]. Bond of Sidney George the only unsettled matter in his administration of Col. Thomas Colvill's estate; [George?] Chalmers, who says he had correspondence with Col. [John] Carlyle concerning same in 1774 thinks there must be a letter relating to payment to John West of £100 on account; requests information concerning this; is about to decide with George respecting the bond. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1794. Mar. 31. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to William Tilghman [Alexandria, Virginia]. Favor of 23d. received; will be regulated by law in case of [Sidney] George and [George?] Chalmers; if latter has received and not paid £100 on bond due [Col. Thomas] Colvill's estate, should in justice pay interest on same; if principle is opposed thereto must be content with what Chalmers will pay; wishes George's account settled and a new bond taken; if laws of Maryland have stopped interest during the war [of the Revolution] the estate must lose [Chalmer's] interest; in Virginia the case would be different; has recently recovered a heavy debt with interest on a bond dated before the war. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1794. Apr. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [George?] Minor [Alexandria, Virginia]. Has received a letter from Dr. [David] Stuart informing him of depredations on [Washington's] land; thanks for offer to watch and guard it; vests him with power to protect same; a year or two ago had requested Bushrod Washington to prosecute trespassers; vigorous action necessary; has directed William Pearce to confer with [Minor] on this subject. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1794. May 6. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [England]. Letter of Jan. 26th. with Capt. [Thomas] Truxton's postscript and that of Feb. 13th. received; has not received either letter or box from Glasgow, nor letter by the ship *Peggy;* acknowledges receipt of watch and portrait of Earl of Buchan [David Stewart Erskine]; will remit for articles sent from Glasgow and London; will arrange same through [John?] Dalton; glad to hear of the Earl of Buchan and Sir John

1794. May 6. **Washington,** George—Continued.

Sinclair's kindness; places great reliance on [Lear's] intelligence as to state of affairs [in England]; has directed [William] Pearce to look to the fruit trees when the *Peggy* arrives at Georgetown [Maryland]; His Britannic Majesty's orders of June 8th. and Nov. 6th. [1793] respecting neutral vessels have aroused great discontent; order of Jan. 8th. [1794] has allayed the excitement somewhat; reparation will be demanded for spoliations of trade resulting from these and non-conformity to articles of treaty [Definitive Treaty of Peace]; John Jay has been appointed envoy extraordinary with John Trumbull as his secretary, to negotiate the difficulty; they will sail [for England] in a few days; bills passed by Congress to fortify seacoast and increase the Army; bills pending; embargo act has passed the House [of Representatives]; quotes act; failed in the Senate by the casting vote of the Vice-President [John Adams]; "sequestration" of British property and like measures have been agitated in the House; packet from [Antoine Francoise de Molleville de] Bertrand to [Thomas] Jefferson has been forwarded; Jefferson resigned the office of Secretary of State on Jan. 1st. [1794]; Attorney General [Edmund] Randolph succeeded him; Judge [William] Bradford of Pennsylvania has been appointed Attorney General; encloses copy of his letter of Dec. 12th. [1793] sent to Arthur Young by William Morris; had then no knowledge of Young's appointment as Secretary of the National Board of Agriculture [of Great Britain]; desires to rent [the Mt. Vernon farms]; wishes to dispose of lands restored him by M. [ ] DeBarth and those in Fayette and Washington counties [Pennsylvania]; mentions his prices; idea is to reduce and concentrate his income; mentions the unproductiveness of his estate; gives extent of lands on the Ohio and Great Kanawha rivers which he wishes to sell; wishes Prof. [James] Anderson [of Edinburgh] could be induced to come to America; his letters are under consideration; hears frequently of his [Lear's] son's Lincoln through [John?] Langdon; [Samuel] "B—ts" [Blodget's] agency in the lottery [Federal Lottery No. 1] gives Commissioners [appointed to prepare the Public Buildings in Washington City for reception of Congress, Daniel Carroll, David Stuart and Thomas Johnson] much uneasiness; can only make a flying trip to Mt. Vernon this summer; has taken a house in Germantown for July and August; Mrs. [Martha] Washington, Nelly [Eleanor Parke Custis] and rest of the family send regards etc. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 11 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 12, 370 and 424 (in part). Sparks, Writings of Washington, 10, 408 (in part).

1794. June 16. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to James Ross [Pittsburg? Pennsylvania]. Appoints him agent to sell lands in Fayette and Washington counties [Pennsylvania]; price to be obtained; will accept cash payment of ¼ the amount and the remainder in 4, 5, and 6 years if prompt payment of interest is guaranteed; extent of tracts, improvements etc. described; has asked Col. Presley Neville to recommend [Pearson] Chapman to [Ross]; has determined to sell the lands on the Ohio and Kanawha rivers at $3⅓ per acre; will also dispose of small tract at Great Meadows [Pennsylvania] on "Braddock's road". *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1794. June 16. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. Presley Neville [Pittsburg, Pennsylvania,] respecting western lands. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 7 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 12, 317.

1794. July 27. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. Burgess Ball [Leesburgh, Virginia]. Wrote 8 to 10 days ago concerning the "Tilthammer"; has received meantime his letter of the 15th. inst.; cannot advise as to hammer; if disposed to sell land [recently] purchased, United States may buy it to build an arsenal thereon; preference has been given his land on [Potomac] river above Great Falls in report submitted to War Department; has had small chance to judge the character of [negro?] Crow as an overseer; was appointed to Union farm after [Washington] left Mt. Vernon; his bad and good traits of character specified; believes he will make a good overseer under careful watch; should get a written agreement from him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1794. Aug. 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to James Ross [Pittsburg? Pennsylvania]. Has received no answer to his letter of June 16th; sends this duplicate; has received offer from Col. Israel Shreve for tract in Fayette county [Pennsylvania]; Mr. [ ] Jackson of Redstone [Fayette county] without authority told Shreve that Washington's price was 30s. an acre; has never, since partnership with Gilbert Simpson was dissolved, contemplated getting less than 40s.; stated terms to an inquirer last winter; informed Col. Shreve that [Ross] is agent for these lands and referred the matter to him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1794. Aug. 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* "German Town" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Col. Charles M. Thruston [Frederick, Virginia]. Navigation of the Mississippi and the rebellion in western Pennsylvania. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 12, 450. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 10, 425.

1794. Aug. 28. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* "German Town" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Tobias Lear [Georgetown, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of the 22d. inst.; glad to learn of his safe arrival in Georgetown and business success in England, Scotland and Holland; expects a visit from him; his mother and [son] Lincoln are well; encloses letter sent him [while in Europe] to have been delivered him by John Jay; reason for its non-delivery then; quotes from Jay's letter of July 23d. to [Washington]; the copy of the letter to [Arthur] Young [from Washington] shows his sentiments regarding "back lands" [on Ohio and Great Kanawha rivers]; hopes to visit Mt. Vernon in September or October; rebellion in western counties [Whiskey Insurrection in Pennsylvania] may prevent it. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1794. Aug. 31. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* "German Town" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Thomas Peter [Georgetown, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of the 27th. inst.;

1794. Aug. 31. **Washington,** George—Continued.
would loan £2000 if he had it; receipts and expenditures of his estate have been able only to balance for some years back; does not know of any one who could lend such a sum; promises to let him know if he should hear of one; hints of expediency of borrowing from a bank; believes the speculation to which sum would be applied a good one [buying lots in Federal City]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1794. Sept. 8. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* "German Town" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Rev. [Bryan, Lord] Fairfax [Mt. Eagle, Virginia]. Wishes information concerning suit against "the Representatives, or security of the deceased Dr. [William] Savage"; encloses Peter Trenor's letter and his answer to same; Trenor's statement as to Washington's letter to him of Nov. 16th., 1786; can remember nothing concerning him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1794. Sept. 8. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Lewis [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Encloses letters that passed between him and John Cowper respecting latter's bond; returns same; Cowper evidently means to delay payment; final settlement to be "carried out to the credit of our joint concern"; advises closing out the matter; should not lose anything by the purchase of "old Marmaduke N. fleet"; wishes report as soon as business is completed. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1794. Sept. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* "German Town" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to James Ross [Pittsburg]. Received through [William] Bradford his letter of the 3d. inst. with $267 on account of Col. [John] Cannon's bond; will dispose of the Fayette and Washington county [Pennsylvania] lands on the terms mentioned in his letter of the 3d. inst.; is more concerned about the question of punctuality of interest payments than length of credit to be allowed; understands the difficulty in getting letters through the western counties at this time. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1794. Sept. 21. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Dr.] David Stuart [Hope Park, Fairfax county, Virginia,] respecting management of the estate of Samuel [Washington]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 12, 462.

1794. Nov. 9. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland]. Sends a copy of "A View of the United States of America in a series of Papers" written by the "Commissioner of our revenue" [Tench Coxe]; hopes he will enjoy reading it. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: The Correspondence of Sir John Sinclair. Lond. 1831. 2, 20.

1794. Nov. 19. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Lund Washington [Mt. Vernon]. Has sent money to [William] Pearce to take up his bond; sends copies of accounts which were kept in his absence from Mt. Vernon, by George

1794. Nov. 19. **Washington,** George—Continued.
A[gustine] Washington; this manner of settlement the same as pursued with John Mercer under advice of [Edmund] Randolph, Attorney General of the United States; intended settling in October but western trouble [Whiskey Insurrection] caused it to slip his mind; asks him to send account, if any, for [ ] Smith's services; wishes he could hear better reports of his health from Dr. [James ?] Tate. *Letter press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1795. Feb. 15. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Jameson [Culpeper county, Virginia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of Jan. 30th.; also one from his brother; encloses letter of his uncle, Mr. Jameson of York [Pennsylvania]; reason for delaying the payment of $80; has received nothing from the [Canal] Company [of Pennsylvania] for 20 years; asks to see the treasurer's books; wishes him to pay the $80; will honor a sight draft; authorization to guard [Washington's] interests in the Dismal Swamp Company enclosed; asks for information concerning value of stock of same. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1795. Feb. 16. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Authorization to John Jameson of Culpeper county, Virginia, to represent and act for him in the Dismal Swamp [Canal] Company. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in Washington, George Letter to John Jameson 1795, Feb. 15.

1795. Feb. 18. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. William [Augustine] Washington [Westmoreland county, Virginia] Regrets delay of his letter of last November; acknowledges receipt of his letter of Jan. 29; recommends academies at Andover and Hingham, Massachusetts, as good places for his sons; has instituted further inquiry; college at Carlisle [Pennsylvania], open to same objections as Virginia academies; the academies mentioned also have the advantage of being near Harvard College; offers to transmit remittances if desired. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed in part: Memoirs, Long Island Hist. Soc. 4, 88.

1795. March 2. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Lathrop jr. [Boston]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of Jan. 29th.; extends thanks for the oration accompanying same and "for the favorable mention you have been pleased to make of Sir, your Obedt. Hble. Srvt. Go. Washington." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. March 4. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Georgetown, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of the 23d. inst.; rarely writes personal letters when it interferes with public duties; would be pleased if [William] Weston's report on locks at "little falls", Potomac river is favorable; dispute between "present" Commissioners [of Federal City] and [Daniel Carroll, David Stuart and Thomas] Johnson "former" Commissioners and [James] Greenleaf; question in dispute will affect property in the Federal City; asks him

1795. March 4. **Washington,** George—Continued.
to obtain "for my *own private* information" opinions on the dispute from city and Georgetown people. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.
Mutilated.

1795. March 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Charles Carter [Washington, District of Columbia,] respecting his financial straits. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.
Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 47.

1795. March 25. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [John?] Savary [Philadelphia]. Cannot accede to his propositions in letter of the 19th. inst.; objectionable features in selling the lands piecemeal; disinclination to have his name bandied over the world as engaged in such land schemes; will dispose of the Ohio lands in entirety at one guinea an acre; one fourth of amount down and the rest in five years, with interest as agreed upon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1795. March 25. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. Thomas Marshall [Weston? Massachusetts]. His letter sent by H[umphrey] Marshall late in arriving; latter was detained by non-arrival of the Treaty of Amity, Commerce and Navigation with Great Britain; has seen in [Philadelphia] Gazette the law of Massachusetts concerning lands owned by non-residents; asks him to take the necessary action regarding his 5000 acres in Jefferson county; will sell same for their value. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1795. March 29. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to George Gilpin [Alexandria, Virginia]. Asks his opinion as to value of [Washington's] land on the Great Falls of the Potomac; describes location and extent of same; will take £1500 for it if he can get it. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1795. March 29. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Philip] Richard Fendall [Alexandria, Virginia]. Has a 300 acre tract of land in Loudon county, "Difficult bridge" [Difficult Run, Loudon county, Virginia]; has been offered £5 an acre for same; desires to know the value of land in the locality of this tract as described. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1795. April 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Gill [Baltimore]. Has had a better offer for the land at "Difficult" [Run, Loudon county, Virginia] than that contained in his letter of Mar. 26th.; will not dispose of land until he can come to Virginia and investigate values personally; will negotiate then if desired. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. April 14. **Dandridge,** Bartholomew. *Secretary to the President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John M. Pintard [Philadelphia?]. Ship *Ganges,* Capt. [ ] Tinzey, Messrs. Willing & Francis, owners, is to sail for England via Madeira; requests shipment at that point of two pipes of wine by direction of the President of the United States. *Autograph copy signed.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. May 24. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Thomas Newton, jr. [Norfolk, Virginia.] Has received a letter from a member of "the assembly of trustees for the Botanical Garden at Jamaica" containing a list of plants shipped him; 39 varieties; requests that he take charge of them on arrival and ship same to Mt. Vernon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Letter almost illegible.

1795. May 28. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Authorization to John Dandridge to sell or dispose of the negro man named Anderson in any manner. *Letter-press copy of D. S.* 1 p. Q°.

In handwriting of Bartholomew Dandridge.

1795. July 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] respecting the National Board of Agriculture of Great Britain and agricultural matters. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 20. Fac-sim. in Washington's Letters on Agriculture. Washn. 1847. p. 29.

1795. July 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. William Deakins [Georgetown, District of Columbia]. Has received his letter of the 8th inst.; thanks expressed for tender of his services in selling a moiety of Woodstock manor [Montgomery county, Maryland]; will wait for a rise in value before selling. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. July 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Gill [Baltimore]. Is nearly two months since the deeds for the land on Difficult Run [Loudon county, Virginia,] were sent him, together with instructions in a letter to Charles Lee; if agreement is not executed immediately will consider the offer made him null and void and request immediate return of deeds. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. July 15. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to James Ross [Pittsburg?]. Encloses a letter at the suggestion of [William] Bingham; wishes to obtain knowledge of disposition of others towards the lands [in Fayette and Washington counties, Pennsylvania]; will set out for Mt. Vernon "in a few moments" to avoid the intense heat. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. July 15. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to William Strickland [Philadelphia?]. Takes the liberty of making him the bearer of a letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland], and letters to other gentlemen [in England]; wishes him a pleasant voyage. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1795. Sept. 23. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Thomas Newton, Norfolk, Virginia. Having had an offer for his share wishes to know the value of land an acre held by the Dismal Swamp Company; asks for information as to probable rise in value. 1 p. Q°.

Contemporary copy in handwriting of Bartholomew Dandridge, marginal note and endorsement by Washington.

1795. Dec. 22. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Gouverneur Morris [Europe,] giving his views on national questions. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 11 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 147. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 99.

1796. Jan. 28. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to George Fitzhugh [Virginia]. This is a reply to his letter of the 14th. inst.; states price of the Gloucester county, Virginia lands and terms of payment; size of and timber on tract mentioned. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Feb. 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Bushrod Washington [Virginia,] regarding his executorship of estate of Col. Thomas Colvill; forwards papers just found, including receipt to George Chalmers for £100 collected on bond from Sidney George; wishes papers returned. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 6 pp. Q°.

Printed (except postcript): Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 164.

1796. Feb. 11. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. [Jeremiah] Wadsworth [Hartford, Connecticut]. Requests the publication of accompanying advertisement [for renting the Mt. Vernon farms and selling the western lands] in the Hartford Gazette; he is either to pay for same or send the bill to [Jonathan] Trumbull [jr]; wishes to procure a "Narragansett" [riding horse]; desires a bay, well formed and of proper size for [Washington's] weight; thanks him for the salmon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Feb. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Major [James H.] Craig, Pittsburg. Wishes enclosed advertisement [for renting Mt. Vernon farms and selling western lands] inserted in the Pittsburg Gazette and pasted up at the different taverns there, and in Uniontown on the Monongahela river; would be glad to receive some idea of value of the Ohio lands; sends letter to be forwarded to [Brig.] Gen. [Rufus] Putnam. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Feb. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [Rufus] Putnam [Marietta? Ohio]. Requests enclosed notices [of desire to rent Mt. Vernon farms and sell the western lands] posted in Marietta and other places; would thank him for information as to value of lands on the Ohio, Great Kanawha and Little "Miame" rivers. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Feb. 15. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter which has been sent to Col. [Timothy] Pickering; cannot understand delay in regard to building an arsenal at the mouth of the Shenandoah [River]; hopes price of land remains the same; is glad to learn of the prosperity of the Potomac [Navigation] Company; hopes Capt. [ ] Meyers will make a good superintendent; wishes statement of account with Lear; confidence of [Alexander] White in success of his mission [as Commissioner of Federal City]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Feb. 20. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to William Strickland [England]. Sends notice of intention to rent the Mt. Vernon farms; states terms for rental of same; farms are too large for a "small" man to manage; questions may be asked him concerning America, so sends this notification that probable tenants may be informed of the opportunity. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Feb. 20. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland]. Agricultural matters; intention to rent the Mt. Vernon farms. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 22. Fac-simile in Washington's Letters on Agriculture. Washn. 1847. p. 33.

1796. Feb. 20. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to the Earl of Buchan [David Stewart Erskine, Edinburgh, Scotland,] sending notice of desire to rent the Mt. Vernon farms. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 108.

1796. Mar. 4. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Gouverneur Morris [Europe,] concerning treaty [of Amity, Commerce and Navigation] with Great Britain. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed in part: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 172. Sparks, Memoirs of Gouv. Morris, 3, 79.

1796. Mar. 9. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Bushrod Washington [Virginia]. Letter of February 29th. received; leaves entire settlement in chancery of [Col. Thomas] Colvill's estate to him; [James] Keith has had sole management up to present and can give best account of situation; Sidney George's account was among the last left open; settlement of same sent him [letter of Feb. 10, 1796.]; this matter negotiated entirely by William Tilghman. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Mar. 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Robert Lewis [Fauquier county? Virginia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of April 17th; difficulty of sending letters to him now that his mother has left Fredericksburg; sees no reason for delay in paying rents received by him, to [William] Pearce or Bank of Alexandria as was written him in October last; there should be a periodic settlement of rental; wishes always to have knowledge of his resources; expects to leave for home [Mt. Vernon] as soon as Congress adjourns; wishes him to pay no attention to [Battaile] Muse's statement of Col. [Charles?] Simms' opinion on lease; requests him to obtain written opinion of Bushrod Washington and Gen. [John] Marshall, on same and act accordingly; thinks it hard that so little rent should be obtained where real value is so great; is satisfied he has done his best in renting farms in Frederick and Berkeley [counties, Virginia] though his "cousin George [Steptoe] Washington" rents his for more; wishes him to watch the timber on the "waste land"; it is being destroyed according to enclosed [letter] from [Thomas] Airy; Deep Run, [Virginia] land to be untouched until Washington can see him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 5 pp. Q°.

1796. Mar. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. Has received his letters of Feb. 26th. and March 2d.; former with the will of [Francis?] Harper has been sent to the Attorney General [of the United States, Charles Lee]; wishes number and description of shares purchased for [Washington] in Banks of Alexandria and Columbia; if he wishes to sell any of his shares in the Potomac Navigation [Company] is to appropriate balance due on bank stock to that purpose; belief in the security of that investment; reasons for not buying house and lot in Alexandria; in response to inquiries sends terms of rental of the Mt. Vernon farms; class of farmers he desires; slaves do not go with the land. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Mar. 21. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Bushrod Washington [Virginia]. Presumes he has received last letter with [James] Keith's accounts of [Washington's] administration of Col. [Thomas] Colvill's estate; encloses a letter received from Keith relative thereto. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Mar. 21. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of 13th.; [ ] Summers of Alexandria has made an offer for the Alexandria lot as per letter enclosed; requests him to send information as to value of land there; had thoughts of building; asks as to advisability of purchasing the property mentioned in his former letters; encloses [Bartholomew] Dandridge's answer to Summers with request to forward same when he thinks proper. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Mar. 27. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. His letters of 21st. and 23d. have caused anxiety; hopes to hear of entire recovery of Fanny [Lear, widow of George Augustine Washington and wife of Tobias Lear] and Maria [Anna Maria Washington, daughter of George Augustine]; wishes he would come to Philadelphia and take charge of matters connected with the Potomac arsenal; will make room for him; expects [George Washington] Lafayette and his tutor [Felix Frestel]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Mar. 30. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. News in his letter of 25th. inst. of the death [of Frances Washington Lear, wife of Tobias] a severe shock; her virtues; presses him to come to Philadelphia; an extra bed can be put in room occupied by [Bartholomew] Dandridge and [George Steptoe] Washington. Signed: "Go. Washington." "Martha Washington." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Apr. 7. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Andrew Parks [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Acknowledges his letter of 1st. inst.; Harriot Washington has no fortune and cannot therefore expect one from her husband; other require-

1796. Apr. 7. **Washington,** George—Continued.
ments forbid giving either assent or dissent to his proposal; wishes to see her happy; qualifications her husband must possess; will be pleased to receive further details from him when he reaches Baltimore; expects to go to Virginia [Mt. Vernon] when Congress adjourns. Draft in handwriting of Martha Washington. 2 pp. Q°.

Printed in part: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 184.

1796. April 16. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. Presley Neville [Pittsburg]. Has sold land on Miller's Run, [Pennsylvania] to Col. [Matthew?] Ritchie; it was to have been resurveyed by Charles Morgan, of whose death has just heard through [James] Ross; asks Neville to resurvey the land; sends copies from the patent for same. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. May 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Col.] Edward Carrington [Richmond,] regarding treaty [of Amity, Commerce and Navigation with Great Britain] and action of the House of Representatives. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 184. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 120.

1796. June 6. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. William Deakins [Georgetown, District of Columbia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of May 27; has informed the Commissioners of the Federal City of his opinion that their place of residence should be there; the many reasons for same; severe reflections on those in charge of constructing the buildings, in discussion of the Guarantee Bill [in Congress]; damage resulting from non-inspection of principal building [Capitol]; matters must be attended to without regard to convenience; main criticism has been that the Commissioners do not stay on the ground. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. June 12. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] respecting agricultural matters. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 23. Fac-simile in Washington's Letters on Agriculture. Washn. 1847. p. 37.

1796. Nov. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Col. Francis Deakins [Montgomery county, Maryland]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of Oct. 12th.; thanks him for settlement of the rents with [W. B.] Jones; requests him to look out for these lands, tenants and rents in future. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Nov. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John W. Bronaugh [London?]. Has received his letter of Oct. 24th.; harbors no suspicion of unfair dealing concerning his father's [Capt. William Bronaugh's] bond; will not surrender bond until conditions have been complied with; deed to Col. [Levin?] Powall at request of Col. [George?] Muse is no evidence that they

1796. Nov. 13. **Washington,** George—Continued.
have been; no harm can come to him by delay; mentions a letter received a few years ago from Battaile Muse on this subject; will surrender bond as soon as it has been fulfilled. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Nov. 16. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Washington, District of Columbia]. Apologizes for the statement concerning the Bank of Columbia shares; explains the mistake; presumes [Bartholomew] Dandridge has informed him of unsuccessful effort with Mr. [ ] Medor to place [Anna] Maria [Washington] at Bethlehem Moravian school; has written to the principal [Jacob] Van Vleck but has received no answer; [ ] Smith desires 90 days more credit on his payment for the flour; is unwilling to grant same; compromise offered; wishes Lear to give [William] Pearce necessary advice in regard to same; [George] Washington [Parke] Custis is established at Princeton College. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Dec. 5. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to James Maury [London]. Acknowledges receipt of several letters during the year; £105 8s. 7d. due, to be remitted in articles as per enclosed invoice; thanks him for "Tarriers" sent by Capt. [ ] Butts. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Dec. 5. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Invoice of goods to be shipped to Mt. Vernon by the first vessel bound for Alexandria or Georgetown: white lead, cambric, table linen etc.; balance due to be sent in "British Oznabrigs." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in letter of same date to James Maury.

1796. Dec. 7 **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Rev. [Jacob] Van Vleck [Bethlehem, Pennsylvania]. His letter relative to [Anna] Maria Washington has been forwarded to [Tobias] Lear, [her step-father]; encloses the answer; asks if she can have with her the daughter of Col. [Burgess] Ball. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Dec. 10. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] respecting agricultural matters and invitation to visit England. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 24. Washington's Letters on Agriculture. Washn. 1847. p. 135 (in part).

1796. Dec. 11. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] respecting geographical and physical conditions of the different States in the Union. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 12 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 9. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 12, 323.

1796. Dec. 14. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Tobias] Lear [Walnut-tree Farm, Virginia]. On receipt of his letter of the 2d. inst. sent copy of that part relating to [Anna] Maria [Washington] and the daughter of Col. [Burgess] Ball to Rev. [Jacob] VanVleck; encloses his answer; has received

1796. Dec. 14. **Washington,** George—Continued.
a treatise on the improvement of canal navigation [by Robert Fulton]; sends it to him; according to Dr [E.] Edwards, Fulton's system is putting lock navigation out of vogue; has not read the book; hopes Potomac [Navigation] Company can profit by it; will return to Mt. Vernon about the middle of March. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1796. Dec. 14. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Robert Fulton [England?]. Acknowledges receipt through Dr. [E—.] Edwards of his "Treatise on Improvement of Canal Navigation"; thanks for same. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Dec. 19. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Robert Lewis [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of the 4th. inst.; gives instructions as to tenants on Goose Creek [Virginia]; has no papers for land on Deep Run [Virginia] surveyed by [ ] Warner; uncle's part given to Warner Washington; father left his to Samuel and George; Samuel left his division to Lawrence Washington of "Chotanck"; has never given a foot to any but him; thinks it better to compromise than to have litigation over land. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1796. Dec. 22. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Rufus King [London]. Encloses copy of a letter previously sent him; requests him to forward another enclosed letter to [Benjamin Thompson,] Count Rumford; it acknowledges receipt of first volume of his essays—"Essays, Political, Economical & Philosophical" [London: 3 vols. 1797]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Dec. 22. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [Benjamin Thompson,] Count Rumford [London?]. Acknowledges receipt in November of letter and recently of first volume of his essays; thanks him for same; has not yet had time to peruse it. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1796. Dec. 30. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [John] Cary, London. Acknowledges receipt of letters of Sept. 8th., 9th., and Oct. 1st.; thanks him for interest displayed in exposing the attempted fraud upon the public. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Jan. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Tobias Lear [Walnut-tree Farm, Virginia]. Has received no answer to his letter regarding placing of [Anna] Maria [Washington] and the daughter of Col. [Burgess] Ball in Rev. [Jacob] VanVleck's school; sent [Robert] Fulton's treatise on improvement of canal navigation at same time; War Department wishes deeds of land for the arsenal on the Shenandoah [river] which have not yet been received; asks that he give attention to this matter. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Jan. 13. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to John Trumbull [Philadelphia]. Conveys his and Mrs. [Martha] Washington's thanks for courtesies extended them; requests forwarding of enclosed letter. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Jan. 15. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to [ ] Dunnington [Maryland]. Has waited longer than he should for rents due; concludes he means to discharge same in tobacco, when at low market value; if rents are not paid in full to Dr. [Daniel of St. Thomas] Jenifer, will take summary action under Maryland law. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Feb. 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Gen. [Alexander] Spotswood. Has received his letter of 24th. ult.; appoints him agent to dispose of land on Rough Creek, Kentucky; has authorized Major George Lewis to buy [ ] Wodron's tract; cannot find Gen. [Henry] Lee's conveyance of the land; Col. Thomas Marshall by authority, has paid tax on same from the beginning; wishes him a pleasant journey to Kentucky and a safe return. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Feb. 1. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to George Ball [Lancaster County, Virginia]. Has received his letter of the 16th. ult; if George Fitzhugh has given up the idea of purchasing the Gloucester county [Virginia] lands will let him have them on the same terms; expects to be at [Mt. Vernon] by March 20th., perhaps sooner. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Feb. 19. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to Joseph Fay [New York]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 7th. inst.; will sell the lands on the Ohio and Great Kanawha rivers in entirety only at $8 an acre; encloses circular describing lands and terms of sale. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Feb. 28. **Washington,** George. *President of the United States.* Philadelphia. Letter to George Clinton [New York]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of the 14th. and [ ] Wilke's draft for share of proceeds of sale of lots in Coxburgh [New York]; asks for information as to land values of lots still unsold; expects to start for Mt. Vernon next week. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Mar. 5. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Ferguson [Philadelphia]. Apologizes for not answering her letter of Jan. 16th. sooner; is preparing to leave the city; has referred the matter to [Elias] Boudinot; thanks her for enclosures sent with her letter. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Mar. 6. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to [Sir John Sinclair, Scotland,] respecting a National Board of Agriculture in the United States. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 26. Fac-simile in Washington's Letters on Agriculture, Washn. 1847. p. 41.

1797. Mar. 6. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to Major [Caleb] Gibbs [Boston]. Will turn over his letter of 13th. inst. to the President of the United States [John Adams]; mentions considerations that have been lost sight of by him [in his application for office]; is no longer in his power to nominate men to offices. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Mar. 6. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to George Ball [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Encloses a copy of the letter sent him in answer to his from Lancaster [county, Virginia]; would have answered his letter of 16th. ult. but for pressure of business. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Mar. 8. **Washington,** George. Philadelphia. Letter to Oliver Ellsworth [Philadelphia]. Will leave the city in 24 hours; extends his thanks for the many kindnesses and courtesies and help rendered; will always be glad to see him at Mt. Vernon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Mar. 31. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Messrs. Reed & Ford [Philadelphia]. Requests transfer to himself of 70 shares of Bank of Columbia [Philadelphia] stock as per their agreement of Feb. 24th. [1797?]; received the shares at $40 to accommodate Gen. [Henry] Lee in a payment he was to have made. Contemporary copy, endorsed by Washington. 1 p. Q°.

1797. May 28. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col. Clement Biddle, Philadelphia]. Asks if he would care to undertake, as formerly, trifling business matters in Philadelphia; if so requests him to receive interest on his certificates at Treasury or Bank of United States; will execute necessary power of attorney when sent; requests that things mentioned in enclosed memorandum be sent. *Letter press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. May 28. **Washington,** George. [Mt. Vernon.] List of sundries to be sent by Col. [Clement] Biddle [Philadelphia]. Picture frames, glasses, paper, books etc. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in letter of same date to Col. Clement Biddle.

1797. May 29. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to James McHenry [Philadelphia,] describing his daily life. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 13, 391. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 203.

1797. May 30. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to St. George Tucker [Winchester, Virginia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 24th. ult.; Legislature [Congress] has been disinclined to push project of a National University; is much interested therein; thanks him for ideas advanced. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. May [June] 7. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Oliver Wolcott [Philadelphia]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of 31st. ult. with drafts on the Collector of Alexandria [John Fitzgerald] for money received from [James] Ross; encloses receipt with endorsement on bond of Matthew Ritchie to be delivered Ross; desires him to ask Ross to inform Col. [Israel] Shreve that he cannot submit to

1797. **Washington,** George—Continued.

May [June] 7. his trifling; dribbling manner of sending money received from sale of Washington's land; will put his judgment bond in suit if Ross so advises. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Letter is endorsed as of June 7.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Dr. [Daniel of St.
May [June] 7. Thomas] Jenifer [Annapolis? Maryland]. A Mr. Perry wishes to make the land exchange mentioned in enclosed letter; referred him to Dr. [James] Craik; his return from Congress uncertain; promised Perry that he would abide by [Jenifer's] decision, he being acquainted with the land; [Jenifer] will probably see [ ] Dunnington concerning rents; the latter knows all the circumstances concerning the land. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Letter is endorsed as of June 7.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col.] Clement Biddle
June 8. [Philadelphia]. Encloses power of attorney; asks him to inform "Mr. [Aikens?, Cabinet?] maker" on Chestnut street of failure to send part of writing desk and key to sideboard. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Mutilated.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Dr. Charles L. Carter
June 10. [Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 2d. inst. by Maj. George Lewis and payment of loan and interest; extends his thanks for same. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gustavus Scott [George-
June 12. town, District of Columbia]. Sends him another letter of Messrs. Reed & Ford on subject of the shares in Bank of Columbia; requests him to have the twenty [notes?] due transferred to [Washington]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Mutilated.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gustavus Scott [George-
June 19. town, District of Columbia]. Has received his letter [of June 16th.] enclosing that of Walt[er Smith]; complains of trifling of [Reed] & Ford in transfer of stock [of Bank of Columbia?]; has endeavored to purchase an English bull from [Henry D.] Gough to improve breed of cattle; has authorized [Thomas] Peter to buy [ ] Thre[lkald's]; extends thanks respecting Col. [James] Lloyd; wishes to know if the bull calf from [Nathaniel Ramsey] and other gentlemen is a present. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gustavus Scott [George-
June 24. town, District of Columbia]. Has received his letter of 22d. inst.; will request Col. [Nathaniel] Ramsey to receive any calf [Col. James] Lloyd will forward to Baltimore; Reed & Ford's last letter gave assurances for completion of transfer of stock; requests that he attend to the matter on reaching Philadelphia. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. July 3. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Presumes power of attorney reached him before the dispatch of his letter of 20th. ult.; sends an open letter to Mr. [James] McAlpin; [Jedidiah] Morse having sent his American Gazettes, the purchase of another is unnecessary; returns keys sent by [ ] Aikens; requests McAlpin's account sent him when paid. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Sept. 3. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Lawrence [Augustine] Washington [Virginia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of Aug. 23d.; extends best wishes on his approaching marriage with Miss [Mary Dorcas] Wood; declines invitation to be present at the ceremony; wishes to be remembered to Miss Wood's grandmother. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Sept. 6. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 30th. ult.; would request [Thomas] Dobson to bind and send the encyclopædias; hopes that the yellow fever epidemic in Philadelphia will speedily disappear. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1797. Nov. 25. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr. James] Anderson [Edinburgh]. Has given scheme for renting lands on the Great Kanawha consideration; terms and conditions of lease may seem high to those unacquainted with the value of the land; will make experiment in manner proposed; association, if formed, should send an advance agent; describes routes to be traversed to reach the land. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1797. Nov. 28. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Richard Parkinson [Doncaster, England]. Has received his letter of Aug. 28th., 1797; had leased the farm but unforeseen circumstances have postponed same until 1799; other farms will not be leased until the 1798 crops are harvested; thinks they could bargain if he should come to America in March; would not rent any land on agreement until mutually satisfactory; thanks him for his offer to send his treatise "The Practical Farmer" *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Dec. 1. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Welch [Alexandria, Virginia]. His proposition to lease the Great Kanawha land received from James Cooper; does not understand his scheme; reasons given for not considering same; damage to land, low total of rental; is willing to discuss the matter in personal interview at his convenience. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1797. Dec. 7. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Welch [Alexandria? Virginia]. Has considered their conversation of yesterday; parting with fee simple of the [Great] Kanawha lands is greatest obstacle to their bargaining; impression prevailing that he will accept $8. per acre for the Kanawha lands a mistaken one; will dispose of the "whole" of the western lands at that rate which would include 10,000 acres on the Ohio and 30,000 on the Little Miami rivers; will not sell the Kanawha lands for less than $10. an acre; the rent he offers is as much as could be expected if annual payments can be secured for six years as suggested; makes

1797. **Washington,** George—Continued.
Dec. 7. him a proposition differing only slightly from his own; will give him a 30 year lease on the Kanawha lands, 23,216 acres, at a rent of $11,143 per annum to be due the last day of December of every year and to be subject to fee within 6 years on payment of $200,000 down on transfer in fee simple; to render first rents easier, in December 1798 only $5000 shall be due and 2d. year's rent be only $8000; is sure of rise in value of the land; lease may be renewed at end of 30 years to complete 99 years on annual rental of $22,286; lands to be apportioned to tenants, suitable buildings to be erected and proportion of woodland to be reserved for support of same; would like to know if above meets with his approbation. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Keith [Alexan-
Dec. 10. dria, Virginia]. Has leased his lands on Great Kanawha to James Welch; gives agreement as to payment and other conditions in detail; wishes him to draw up form of contract; expects to be in Alexandria on [Dec.] 21st. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1797. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [James] Anderson [Mt.
Dec. 21. Vernon]. Wishes an annual report of condition and affairs of the farms; statement of expenditures and income, produce etc., desired; hereafter desires quarterly reports; compliments him on his abilities; calls attention to particular instances of mismanagement of labor, teams etc.; wishes work systematized and mapped out in advance; injunctions as to use of tools; Isaac and Joe [slaves] are continually repairing ploughs. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 6 pp. Q°.

1798. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gustavus Scott [Wash-
Jan. 8. ington, District of Columbia]. Is glad to learn from his letter of 21st. ult. that Maryland has granted a loan to carry on the public buildings in the Federal City; hopes the object of the navigation of the Potomac will meet with equal success; hopes to see him in Georgetown at the meeting of the Potomac [Navigation] Company. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Frederick Kitt [Phila-
Jan. 10. delphia]. Has not heard of Hercules, negro cook, since he left; suspects that he is in Philadelphia; wishes measures taken for his apprehension; has no desire to acquire another slave by purchase; Col. Clement Biddle will take charge of the matter and pay all necessary charges; advises caution in search. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Frederick Kitt [Phila-
Jan. 29. delphia]. Has received his letter of the 15th. inst.; desires him to continue his inquiries for Hercules; when found he is to confer with Col. Clement Biddle as to capture; should be put on board of vessel for Alexandria; Mrs. [Martha] Washington would have engaged Mrs. [ ] but has a house-keeper; congratulates him on obtaining a position in the bank. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Jan. 31. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Albin Rawlins [Hanover Court House, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 26th. inst.; a misconception exists as to the application of Gen. [Alexander] Spotswood; a house-keeper or butler was desired and has been obtained; has need, however, for a man to manage his correspondence, copy his letters etc.; ask him to state his terms. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Feb. 1. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Observations on going over [James] Anderson's accounts. Absence of cash accounts causes lack of clearness; account for stud horse "Traveller" not complete; no credit shown for money received from A[ ] Jameson; no voucher for J. V. Thomas' charge nor that of John Voilet's; wheat and flour accounts show discrepancies; fishery and distillery accounts lack clearness; accounts appear fair; wishes cash account rendered every quarter; requests care in purchasing; found it necessary to sell considerable land to meet expenses last year. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1798. Feb. 6. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [James] Anderson [Mt. Vernon]. Seems hurt by observations made on his accounts but no such intention prevailed; is fully satisfied; has said nothing unwarranted; does not consider it fair that he should leave at this time but wishes to retain no one against his wishes; has written for a young clerk from Scotland; agreed to his son John [Anderson] overseeing the distillery; convenience of rendering a quarterly cash statement. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1798. Feb. 12. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Albin Rawlins [Hanover Court House, Virginia]. Has received his letter of the 7th. inst.; has always considered $100 sufficient for the work he will require; will give him $150; wishes recommendations; explains the duties that will be required of him as a clerk; asks that he obtain a recommendation from either Judge [ ] Lyon or Judge [Edmund] Pendleton or [John] Hoomes. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Mar. 2. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Samuel Davidson [Scotland]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 19th. ult.; has another opening for his nephew on terms suggested to [Thomas] Peter as assistant at the distillery with [John] Anderson, son of the manager [James] Anderson; would like an immediate answer. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Mar. 6. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Dr. B[ ] Fendall. Wishes him to return articles that he took away to finish; Mrs. [Martha] Washington needs them and if unfinished will apply elsewhere. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. April 3. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Alexander Smith [Vienna, Maryland]. Wishes plank and lumber for flooring; gives table of amounts and sizes desired; may complete the vessel's cargo with shingles; wishes the flooring seasoned. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Apr. 3. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Governor [John] Henry, [Annapolis,] Maryland. Encloses letter to [Alexander] Smith; would be pleased to see [Henry] at Mt. Vernon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Apr. 8. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Oliver Evans [Pennsylvania]. Wishes to know if he can recommend a good miller; present man leaves in August; wages and terms that will be allowed; prefers a married man with small family; requests him to converse with Col. Clement Biddle. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Latter part of letter illegible.

1798. Apr. 15. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Capt. [ ] O'Flin [Brandywine, Delaware]. Present miller intends leaving in August; terms and wages granted same; wishes him to obtain a miller; gives location of mill; prefers a married man. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Apr. 15. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Booker [Richmond, Virginia]. His [threshing] machine erected on Union Farm has given most unsatisfactory results; has seen advertisements of improvements to same; desires to hear from him on the subject. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Apr. 22. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Oliver Evans [Pennsylvania]. Acknowledges receipt of his letter of 17th inst.; wishes to know if [Evans'] former miller will engage himself; also the lowest wages he will accept if the terms given in Washington's letter of 8th. inst. are unsatisfactory. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Apr. 25. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Alexander Smith [Vienna, Maryland]. Wrote him on 3d. inst. and sent duplicate through Governor [John] Henry but has received no acknowledgement; changes desired in dimensions of some of the lumber as given in bill in letter of 3d.; requests that 10 posts be sent in addition. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Apr. 25. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Booker [Richmond, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 20th. inst.; will be glad to see him at Mt. Vernon as soon after harvest as convenient; does not mind expense of the wheel [threshing] machine if it can accomplish the results; will depend on him for a new raw-hide band. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. May 7. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Messrs. Fosters & May [Alexandria, Virginia]. Is surprised at account received with their letter of 30th. ult.; is unaccustomed to having old accounts presented; told [William] Pearce to discharge all outstanding debts before he left his service; has written Pearce and will settle the matter as soon as he is heard from. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. May 15. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Thomas C. Martin [King and Queen county, Virginia]. Wrote him last autumn relative to his invention of a threshing machine; wishes to know whether the machine can be worked by men or horses; would like instructions how to build one or will furnish material and bear expense if he will send a competent man to do so before harvest; would like to hear from him on the subject. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. May 30. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to [William Fitzhugh, Alexandria, Virginia]. Went to Alexandria yesterday but returned at once expecting [Thomas] Law and family to dinner; heard through [Tobias] Lear that [James] Anderson had applied to him for position as manager; encloses a letter from Anderson [to Washington] and a copy of his answer which will explain the difficulty between them; mentions Anderson's good traits and abilities; likewise his failings; asks if he is expected to fill the place of [ ] Donce at once; desires to know the date of his application for a position; wishes enclosures returned. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1798. June 11. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Anderson [Mt. Vernon]. Replies to his letter of yesterday; grants increase desired in allowance of fish, flour, and whiskey; authorizes exchange of horses if larger and stronger can be obtained by paying "*some boot*"; If River Farm is committed to care of [Dr. David] Stuart and [Albin] Rawlins does some of the riding, more horses are unnecessary; pays more now than any other gentleman in Virginia for management of the farms and cannot afford more; feels no gratification in hurting peoples feelings and gives his observations for no other purpose than concern for personal welfare; has always considered his integrity unimpeachable; compliments his knowledge and skill in farming; his lack of system debilitates the land; wastes time and material; proposes schemes, gets them approved and then fails to carry them out; promises are not performed; failure to watch hay, grain, destruction of tools and other shortcomings noted; method that should have been pursued in riding around the farms; above criticisms offered with friendly motives and desire to benefit the farms. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 10 pp. Q°.

1798. June 14. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Oliver Evans [Pennsylvania]. Asks him again about procuring a miller; has heard nothing from him since his letter of April 26th nor anything from Brandywine; wishes to hear positively as soon as convenient. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. June 17. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Fitzhugh [Alexandria, Virginia]. Rev. [Jeremy] Belknap proposes to publish a work [2d vol. of American Biographies] that cannot fail of being interesting; encloses Belknap's "proposal"; asks Fitzhugh to "offer" it in the Alexandria coffee houses for subscription; it is to be returned afterwards to Washington. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. June 17. **Washington,** George. Mt. Vernon. Letter to Alexander Smith [Vienna, Maryland]. Has paid Capt. [ ] Walters for plank delivered; did so reluctantly after Walter's assurances; considered such payment irregular and only made it through desire not to disappoint him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. July 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] respecting agricultural matters. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 30.

1798. July 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Dr. James Anderson [Scotland]. Conduct of France towards the United States. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 52. Spark, Writings of Washington, 11, 274.

1798. July 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to John Trumbull [London?]. Has received his letter of March 6th with two proofs of the "American Revolution"; expresses his deep obligation and thanks for same; condition of affairs caused by the arrogant conduct of France will probably drag him into public life again; French government will find its mistake; asks when he will return to America; Mrs. [Martha] Washington and Miss [Eleanor Parke] Custis send regards. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Aug. 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Vans Murray, The Hague, concerning [Washington's] private letters that have fallen into the hands of the French, and the policy of France. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 71. Baker, Washington after the Revolution, 366. (In part.)

1798. Oct. 8. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Andrew E. Belknap [Boston]. Has received his letter of 20th ult.; William Herbert will attend to the subscriptions; has received first volume of the "American Biography"; if [Washington's] name was down more than once it was to encourage the continuance of the work. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Oct. 8. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Herbert [Alexandria, Virginia]. Thanks him for information in his letter of 15th ult.; has no need of the money in the Bank of Alexandria; has informed [Andrew E.] Belknap of his kind offer. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Nov. 1. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [James] Anderson [Mt. Vernon]. Expects letters that may call him to the seat of government [Philadelphia]; his departure will be sudden; may be absent 4 or 5 weeks; gives detailed instructions for farm management during his absence; leaves instructions for carpenters, joiners and bricklayers; has received a letter from [Richard] Parkinson of England who will arrive with family and animals at any time; leaves Parkinson's letters and his answers thereto for his guidance in the matter; requests that [enclosed?] letter be presented to [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee on his arrival in Alexandria; directs that [Lee] be shown Bushrod Washington's [answer to same] and be directed to execute his deed to [Washington]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

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1798. [Nov. 1.] **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* [Mt. Vernon.] Outline of "Work for Carpenters" during his absence. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed, as are the two following documents, in Washington, George, Letter to James Anderson 1798, Nov. 1.

1798. [Nov. 1.] **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* [Mt. Vernon.] Outline of "Work for Joiner" during his absence. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. [Nov. 1.] **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* [Mt. Vernon.] Outline of "Work for the Bricklayers" during his absence. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1798. Nov. 3. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [James] Anderson [Mt. Vernon,] concerning Richard Parkinson. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 338.

1798. Nov. 4. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee [Alexandria?]. Acknowledges receipt of his letters from Fredericksburg and Stratford; sets out for Trenton [New Jersey] tomorrow; has received report on Major [William B.] Harrison's land from Jesse Simms; was surprised to find the Pennsylvania avenue [Washington, D. C.] lots were not of standard size; he can hardly expect payment under these conditions; will accept land at Harper's Ferry, in Loudon county or any unincumbered property rather than raise a dispute; sent the deeds which passed between them in April last to Bushrod Washington; [James] Anderson will present him Bushrod's opinion thereon and a deed drawn by him for signature; has acknowledged Lee's deed before witnesses and requests Lee to do the same for [Washington's] deed. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1798. Nov. 4. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Major [William B.] Harrison [Leesburg? Virginia]. Inquires if he will rent tenements and at what terms; considerable damage has been done the crops, fences, etc. on [Washington's] adjoining land; does not care to pay an exorbitant price; tenements are worth but little; gives reasons for the statement; wishes the lease for a term of years. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. [Dec. 20.] [**Washington,** George.] *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter [to Dr. William Thornton, Washington, D. C.] respecting [Washington's] house in the "Federal City." Autograph copy. 1 p. Q°.

Mutilated. Printed: Memoirs of Long Island Hist. Soc. 4, xc.

1798. Dec. 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to George [Washington] Lafayette [France?]. Has written a long letter to Gen. [Marie Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier Marquis de] Lafayette; has accepted a commission to lead the army in event of war; gives news of his acquaintances; Lawrence Lewis is a captain of

1798. Dec. 25. **Washington,** George—Continued.

light dragoons and is to marry Eleanor [Parke] Custis on Feb. 22d; [George] Washington [Parke] Custis has been appointed cornet in Lewis's troop and Washington Craik a lieutenant in same; [Charles] Carrol [jr.] of Carrollton is to be Washington's volunteer aid and [Tobias] Lear secretary; expresses hope that the [French] Directory will not force a war; Mr. and Mrs. [Thomas] Law and [daughter] Eliza, and Mr. and Mrs. [Thomas] Peter and their two children and Dr. [David] Stuart and family are well; Alexandria is thriving and public buildings in the Federal City and many private ones are being erected; Nelly [Custis] is absent at Hope Park [Maryland]; Washington [Custis] and [Lawrence] Lewis are beyond the mountains; will be glad to see him when the political storm blows over; should be pleased to have M. [Felix] Frestal accompany him. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1798. Dec. 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Vans Murray, The Hague. "Envoy" Logan and his mission; new session of Congres; Alien and Sedition laws. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 128. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 383.

1798. Dec. 28. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Richard Raynal Keene. Is always glad, when convenient, to help the deserving; mistaken impression that prevails as to [Washington's] wealth; finds it no easy task to keep expenditures down to receipts; returns his letter of 24th inst. and its enclosures. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Dec. 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Brig.] Gen. [John] Marshall [Richmond? Virginia]. Requests him to forward enclosed packet to [Maj.] Gen. [Charles Cotesworth] Pinckney, if he has left Richmond; sends Judge [Alexander] Addison's production on the Alien and Sedition laws; no amount of clear conviction will affect the leaders of the opposition; requests that when he has read it he send it to Bushrod Washington; wishes him success in election [for Congress]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1798. Dec. 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr.] William Thornton [Washington, D. C.]. Has received his letters of 25th inst. enclosing Messrs. Blagden and Lenthal's estimate for adding pediment and parapet to houses in [Washington]; no plan enclosed as stated; will delay his decision until his visit to the Federal City; is not acquainted with the principles of architecture but states his preferences and reasons for treatment of the roof; thanks him for his freely expressed opinion. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1798. Dec. 31. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Bushrod Washington [Virginia,] respecting Capt. Blackburn, Addison on the Alien and Sedition laws and Lee's deed. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed (in part): Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 139. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 11, 386.

1798. Dec. 31. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee [Virginia]. Presumes he has not received the letter a copy of which is enclosed; has sent Bushrod Washington the deeds for execution; asks [Lee] to acknowledge [Washington's] deed before evidence. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 5. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Sir] Philip Rootes [England?]. Received his letter of Nov. 15th while in Philadelphia on public business; the land he, as son of Capt. John Rootes, inquires after was purchased by Hon. John Page [for Washington]; satisfactory evidence of conveyance and new patent can be seen at the Secretary's office [of State of Virginia]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 6. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Russell [New York?]. Has received his letter of 20th ult.; understands difficulties in sending the ram and the straw machine; will be glad to receive the ground borer; is much in need of such a machine. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Jan. 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Israel Shreve [Pennsylvania]. Has received his letter of 21st ult.; has not heard from his brother [Isaac? Shreve] and does not expect to obtain what is due from [Israel] except through the courts; he knows the reasons for the sale of the land on which he lives; non-payment of the money has compelled [Washington] to borrow from the banks; from his past conduct has no hope of his ever making payments on time; if satisfactory assurance can be given of his paying on April 1st, proceedings will be stayed; expects next payment to be promptly made and will accept "no further excuses." *Letter-press copy A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. Jan. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter [to Rev. Bryan, Lord Fairfax, England]. Has received letters from him dated June 17th, from Hampton Road[s, Virginia], Aug. 21st to 23d from London and Sept. 7th from York; thanks him for transmitting the letters entrusted to him; insults of France have roused the people; if an invasion is threatened [Washington] has consented to lead the armies; he has probably seen the letter of acceptance of the trust, dated July 13th last, as it has been printed and scattered broadcast; the Virginia legislature alone of all the states seems afflicted with opposition to all measures of defence; results of this spirit of opposition are beyond the reach of man to see; expresses belief in the protection of Providence for the country; went to Philadelphia at request of the Secretary of War [James McHenry] to assist in formation of the army; [Countess Selina] Lady Huntington "*was*" a correspondent at one time; claimed a relationship, though [Washington] never inquired into it; crops are poor, owing to autumnal drought and [Hessian] fly; Mrs. [Martha] Washington and he took dinner with Mrs. Fairfax on Wednesday last [Jan.

1799. Jan. 20. **Washington,** George—Continued.
16th] at Mt. Eagle; all the [Fairfax] family are well; Miss [Eleanor Parke] Custis has returned from Hope Park [Maryland] and with Mrs. Washington sends best wishes. Endorsed by Washington: "To the Right Honorable Bryan Lord Fairfax". *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 7 pp. Q°.

Printed (in part): Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 140.

1799. Jan. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter of 13th inst.; asks him to send a bushel of English or blue grass seed, "*fresh & good*" for the lawn in front of the house; white clover will answer if first is unobtainable; expects two hats from [ ] Parish; may be sent with the boots and book cases. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Sir John Sinclair [Scotland,] concerning National Board of Agriculture. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

Printed: Sinclair's Correspondence, 2, 31.

1799. Jan. 23. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Wrote him a few days ago [Jan. 20th] but forgot to inquire the price current of flour and wheat; the Philadelphia paper that used to give this information has discontinued it; whenever he writes wishes him to give same. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 23. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Robert Lewis [Fredericksburg? Virginia]. Wishes to know his determination as to taking "Young Royal Gift" for ensuing season; would like to receive his rents as early as possible; is under expense of erecting two buildings in the Federal City; wrote to Major [William B.] Harrison in beginning of November [4th] but has received no reply; encloses press copy of the letter to be shown Harrison that an answer may be obtained. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. Jan. 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Francis Deakins [Georgetown, D. C.]. Has received his letter of 16th inst. enclosing one from Hezekiah Veatch of Dec. 1st and statement of account against Charles McDavitt; his management of the affair is approved; also received hogshead of tobacco in payment of rent from Mrs. Priscilla Beall. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 29. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Will not be able to finish as much ground as expected with the bushel of blue grass or white clover seed ordered; requests that he send 25 pounds only; if bushel has been purchased meantime, will pay for it; expects account is overdrawn; will remit balance as soon as statement is received. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Jan. 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr.] William Thornton [Washington, D. C.]. Has received his letter of 28th inst. enclosing deeds for the Federal City lots and Messrs. Blagden and Lenthal's drawing and estimate; approves the latter; miscellaneous instructions as to same; wishes to know if the deed for lot on which building is going up is in the City Office; cannot find it among his papers. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Feb. 1. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter of 27th ult.; as entire quantity of grass seed was purchased, requests that it be sent with 12 pounds of white clover and like quantity of Lucern; gives reason for being so particular as to quality; if Capt. [ ] Ellwood will anchor off Mt. Vernon, will send a boat out for the book cases. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Feb. 5. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* "Mt. Vernon in Virginia." Letter to [Sir] Uvedale Price [England]. Extends thanks for his kindness and letter of March 31, [1797]; has just received his "Essay on the Picturesque" [An Essay on the Picturesque as compared with the Sublime and Beautiful, 2 vols. enlarged ed. 1797.]; will read it with pleasure and profit. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Feb. 6. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter [to Major William B Harrison, Leesburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 24th ult.; became guarantor for rent of land [near Washington's Mill] because was convinced of its exhausted condition; his letter did not answer his question regarding leasing same to him; wishes to know terms on which it would be leased; [Washington's] land will always be damaged while dishonest people live on this tract; has no proof against John Javins or the others but his crops are damaged and his stock stolen; [Javins] keeps a tippling house; is told that it is a place of deposit for all stolen articles. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1899. Feb. 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col.] Timothy Pickering [Philadelphia]. Pickering's report to Congress; Gerry's course. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Printed with slight variations: Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 151.

1799. Feb. 11. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Lloyd [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter of 28th ult. enclosing [Elbridge] Gerry's correspondence with [Charles Maurice Périgord de] Talleyrand, also report of Secretary of State [Timothy Pickering] thereon; is not surprised that the latter was distasteful to the H[ouse] of R[epresentatives]; believes that "the great mass of our Citizens require only to understand matters rightly, to form right decisions"; seems to be the business of some to misrepresent facts; did not answer his letter of July last on Kentucky politics as Congress was about to adjourn. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Feb. 14. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. William A[ugustine] Washington [Westmoreland county, Virginia]. Takes opportunity given by H[enry] Washington to offer to take 100 bbls. of corn over and above the 500 bbls. contracted for, on same terms; is sorry to hear of his indisposition. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Feb. 15. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to James Welch [Rockingham county, Virginia]. January and half of February have passed with no money nor word from him; is in need of the rent; reminds him of his assurances. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Feb. 15. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col.] Timothy Pickering [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter; although not marked "private" did not feel at liberty to mention its contents; will hereafter consider his communications under three heads; those marked "*confidential*" to be considered so, "*private*" to be divulged to a select few and will feel no restraint concerning those unmarked. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°

1799. Feb. 15. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr.] William Thornton [Washington, D. C.]. Has received his letter of 12th. inst. and Blagden's estimate for glass for the houses in the Federal City; has not been obliged to obtain a loan for funds for this purpose as yet; but expects the necessity to arise. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Feb. 18. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. His letter and account received; encloses $100 to be placed to his credit; [Capt.] Ellwood has not yet arrived; thanks him for prices current of flour and asks that he do not forget the Lucern and white clover seed. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Mar. 4. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Judge] Alexander Addison [Philadelphia]. Has received his letter of Jan. 31, 1799 and his 2d charge to the Grand Jury of 5th Circuit of State of Pennsylvania; wishes more men would follow his example; the blinding of the people to facts by a small number of men is the cause of the present evils; asks his aid to obtain payment of balance due him from estate of Col. [Matthew] Ritchie; has been compelled to borrow on renewed notes of 60 days, from the banks. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to George Ball [Lancaster county, Virginia]. Instead of receiving £303 in April of the last year as agreed for the Gloucester county [Virginia] lands, has heard no word from him; first installment of the residue will be due [April] 10 [1799]; parted with these lands which he considered the most valuable in the country under pressure of need of money; expects him to be prompt in this payment. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Mar. 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Benjamin] Lincoln [Boston]. Has been induced to erect two houses in the Federal City for a person [Dr. William Thornton?] who intends to furnish accommodation for members of Congress; understands window glass can be had cheap in Boston; asks him to procure sizes as given at foot of this letter. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Joseph Anthony [Philadelphia]. Has received from John Trumbull "now in London" four sets of "Battle of Bunker's Hill" and "Death of Genl. Montgomery"; wrote to Governor [Jonathan] Trumbull who replied that [Anthony] might have been authorized to receive the subscriptions for above; wishes to know about this and the terms, as he has forgotten them. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Mar. 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Remitted $100 by letter on the 18th ult.; no acknowledgement being received is apprehensive of its safe arrival; asks him to send the Lucern seed, mentioned in former letters, by the mail stage; wishes to know the Philadelphia prices of flour. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Mar. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col.] Timothy Pickering [Philadelphia]. Has received his letters of 28th ult. and 11th inst.; forwards him the German letters [from Dr. J. F. Ramnitz] and box [of medicine] to be disposed of as he sees fit; encloses an acknowledgement of the receipt of above letter and box; requests him to forward it to Berlin through the United States Minister [John Quincy Adams] at that place. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* "Mt. Vernon in Virginia". Letter to [Dr.] J. F. Ramnitz, "Druggist near Berlin". Has received his letter of October 31st with box of medicine; has been out of public life for more than two years; thanks him for his humanity and benevolence towards the inhabitants of Philadelphia and New York; has sent his letter and medicines to Col. [Timothy] Pickering, Secretary of State. Endorsed by Washington: "To Mr. J. F. Ramnitz, Druggist near Berlin". *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gen. [Alexander] Spotswood [Newport, Kentucky]. Has received his letter of 15th inst. enclosing one from [Peyton] Short which is herewith returned; wishes his thanks conveyed to Short for finding out Abraham Hite's price for Woodrow's survey; declines the purchase; thanks him for the notice of "*the tale of the Tubs*"; such conspiracies will always exist under present conditions. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 31. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Charles Cotesworth] Pinckney [Charleston, South Carolina]. Maj. [Thomas] Pinckney has told him of the wish of South Carolina gentlemen to improve the breed of mules; has written [Brig.] Gen. [William] Washington where he or his friends can obtain descendants of "Royal Gift"; sends description of these young jacks. *Letter-press copy of A. S. L.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 31. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to M[ason] L[ocke] Weems. Has received his letter of 26th inst.; sale of his Great Kanawha lands to James Welch is conditional only; gives terms of the agreement; first year's rent is over due and has not been paid. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Mar. 21. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Brig. Gen. William Washington [Charleston, South Carolina]. Has just heard by letter from [Maj.] Gen. [Charles Cotesworth] Pinckney of his expected trip to Princeton [New Jersey]; will be glad to see him [at Mt. Vernon]; no commissions nor recruiting orders have been issued in Virginia; Major [Thomas] Pinckney mentioned the matter of improving the breed of mules in South Carolina; spoke in general terms of his jacks at the time; encloses a description of those he will sell; their pedigrees; all are descended from "Royal Gift". *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Mar. 31. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Description of three jacks; pedigree etc.; also of three or four jennies. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1p. Q°.

Enclosed in Washington, George, Letter to William Washington 1799, March 31.

1799. Apr. 7. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Booker [Richmond, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 31st ult.; will expect him on the 1st or by the 10th of June; that the mill may be erected before the water of the grist mill fails is all he wishes; scantling will be prepared as directed. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Apr. 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Major William [B.] Harrison [Leesburg, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 28th ult.; acknowledges kind offer but is unable for given reasons either to buy or rent his lands; state his opinion of John Robinson, James Welch and [ ] Hamilton; has not heard of Col. [ ] Mason's and [Richard] Chichester's survey of land hereabouts [Mt. Vernon]; invites [Harrison] to visit him; his clerk [Albin Rawlins] will run the lines for him without charge. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

1799. Apr. 18. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee [Alexandria? Virginia]. Has received his letter of Feb. 28th; will say nothing in reply until he sees him in May; asks if he has any

1799. Apr. 18. **Washington,** George—Continued.
corn for sale; wants more than he can get from his nephew [William Augustine Washington]; will give Alexandria cash price on delivery or 15s. per bbl., which is what [John] Tayloe obtained on cargo just shipped to Baltimore; wishes to hear from him at once. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q.°

1799. Apr. 21. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr.] William Thornton [Washington, D. C.]. Has received his letter of the 19th inst.; thanks him for his attention to the construction of his buildings in the Federal City; expects glass for same, as ordered by [George] Blagden, on the first vessel from Boston; heard with regret of death of Miss [ ] Dalton; [Tobias] Lear has not yet returned. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Apr. 21. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. [Clement] Biddle [Philadelphia]. Acknowledges receipt of his letters of March 21st and 11th inst.; the clover and Lucern seed, shipped by Capt. [ ] Hand for Alexandria, has not been deposited by him at the custom house; is much disappointed as season is too late to obtain more; thanks him for shipping by Capt. [ ] Ellwood the packages that were in Philadelphia custom house; thinks they came from the East Indies in the ship *George Barclay* and contain seed and exotics. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Apr. 22. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Jesse Simms [Alexandria, Virginia]. Will give no definite answer to his letter of 19th inst. until he sees [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee next month; his deceit has not added to [Washington's] opinion of him; the charge of [Washington] speculating in his notes is false; [Simms] was not to know that Lee was to be allowed full value of the note; the report he has circulated is malicious and must have been conceived and "propagated" for the "worst of purposes." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Apr. 23. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter [to Major Roger? West, Walnut? Grove, Virginia]. Will answer questions in his letter "of this date" as best he can; remembers him presenting a letter from Col. [Robert] Hooe last autumn and his intimation of desire to join the provisional army; did not remember that he objected to appointment in the twelve regiments that might become a standing army; is hurried with preparation of important dispatches; hopes he will understand this letter. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. Apr. 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Letter [to Thomas Ludwell Lee, Shooters Hill, Virginia]. Could not speak to him on Wednesday [April 24th] on what he now communicates; intends remarking the lines of his lands, which have been frequently trespassed upon, on Four Mile Run [Virginia]; is to meet all the other adjacent property holders at corner of Adams's patent on Monday next [April 29th]; will be glad to see him also. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Apr. 28. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Since last letter to him [April 21st] has received the seeds sent by Capt. [ ] Hand; while [Washington] was in Philadelphia there was a machine at Kensington [Pennsylvania] for raking harvest fields after they are cut; desires Biddle to send one by the first vessel to Alexandria; will send him a few barrels of well cured shad and herrings to sell on commission if he can get a fair price; asks to be informed of the Philadelphia prices of wheat and flour. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 5. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Thomas Peter, Georgetown, D. C.]. Encloses a tobacco note; if his father thinks best, directs him to sell the tobacco now in the Georgetown warehouse; asks to be informed by [George] Washington [Parke] Custis of any account received from London of sale of [Washington's] tobacco; also what dividend was declared on the Bank of Columbia stock last half year. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 16. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Major William [B.] Harrison [Leesburg, Virginia]. Would like to lease his "Chapel" lands; terms offered; frank exposition of value of lands and reasons for desiring to rent same; chances of loss in present speculative craze. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. May 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. William Augustine Washington [Westmoreland county, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 2d inst. and the corn by Capt. [ ] Bowcock; hopes he will find the whiskey and fish, sent by same vessel, good; will pay for corn on demand but hopes he will not call for same until he needs it; is borrowing money now from the Bank of Alexandria to meet his engagements; congratulates him on his approaching marriage [with Miss Ella Bassett]; is pleased with the election of [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee and [John] Marshall [to Congress]. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. May 24. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. William A[ugustine] Washington [Westmoreland county, Virginia]. Enclosed letter [May 20th] was written, expecting to be sent by [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee on his return; his letter of 21st inst., by Capt. [ ] Bowcock received meantime; thought he sent the whiskey; sends two barrels as requested; will exchange same for grain, rye, Indian corn, etc.; can supply him with fish for his negroes in exchange for grain; congratulates him on his marriage; [James] Anderson will send him account of barrels of corn received. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. May 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Gouverneur Morris [New York?]. Has received his letter of 9th inst. from Newark [New Jersey]; congratulates him on his safe return to America and would be pleased to see him at Mt. Vernon at any time. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Rev. [Jedidiah] Morse [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Thanks him for sending his "Sermon exhibiting the present dangers and consequent duties of the Citizens of the United States of America." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [James Welch, Fredericksburg, Virginia]. Received his letter of 16th. inst.; had formed no hope from the proposed application at Fredericksburg; has been distressed by his non-payment; will wait until November for his payment on the Great Kanawha lands; requires him to give the names of tenants, lands and rents held, and the prospect for others. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Russell [New York]. Has received his letter of 11th. inst. from New York and articles therein mentioned; the ram seems a good one; would be pleased to receive the swine. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. ond commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Rt. Rev. Dr. [William] White [Philadelphia]. Acknowledges with thanks receipt of his "Sermon on the Duty of Civil Obedience, as required in Scripture." *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. May 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Dr. [Charles] Buxton [Perth Amboy, New Jersey]. Has received his letter of 27th. ult. and the two proofs "(one on satin)" of the American Revolution; did not the late President of the United States [Washington] occupy such a prominent position in the engraving would say more of it; would be glad to have him visit Mt. Vernon. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. June 5. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Maj. Gen. [Charles Cotesworth] Pinckney [Mulberry Grove, South Carolina]. Has received his letter of 24th. ult. with enclosures; thanks him for the interesting details of the military and political condition of South Carolina; would like to know the disposition of troops in the three southern Atlantic states [North and South Carolina, Georgia,] and Tennessee; [Pinckney's] knowledge of military affairs is such as to need no assistance; delivered his letter to Capt. Presley Thornton; will say nothing concerning those he has communicated to the Secretary of War [James McHenry]; Mrs. [Martha] Washington sends her thanks for the melon seeds. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. June 6. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Clement Biddle [Philadelphia]. Has received his letters of 18th. and 21st. ult.; if the inventor of the raking machine has moved from Philadelphia and J[ ]

1799. June 6. **Washington,** George—Continued.
Williams will sell his, will purchase same; wishes to know what effect the "Arrette of Ronne & Touissant" [Toussaint L'Ouverture] and Consul [Edward] Stevens's dispatches from St. Domingo will have on the price of flour; merchants believe the island ports will not be opened. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. June 7. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William H. Foote. Encloses copy of notes [of survey] of the "meanderings" of [Dogue] Run; the island was claimed by George Ashford; this survey, made 30 years ago, will not now be accurate. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. June 10. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. William A[ugustine] Washington [Westmoreland county, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 1st. inst. and the corn; [James] Anderson will render him the account; does not wish to delay payment a moment; mentions the disappointments in his receipts; with respect to [ ] Flood, for corn from F[ ] "W—n" the money will be ready when called for; does not wish him to draw at sight, but desires a day or two notice. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. June 16. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Dr.] William Thornton [Washington, D. C.]. Has received his letter of 5th. inst.; will arrange to meet [George] Blagden's call for $1000 on 1st. of next month; has a letter from a gentleman in Baltimore that the glass from Boston has gone there and the wrong box sent to Alexandria; wishes him to request Blagden to send it to Col. [George] Gilpin. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. June 16. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Col. Francis Deakins [Georgetown, D. C.]. Has received his letter of 12th. inst. enclosing [Hezekiah] Veatch's to him of March 11th. and settlement with Mrs. Priscilla Beall; Veatch may withhold any part of [ ] Reed's bond on [Charles] McDades' [McDavitt's?] account; asks him to sell the tobacco received from Mrs. Beall. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. June 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Wilson Allen [Richmond, Virginia]. Has received his letter of 29th. ult.; Bushrod Washington's opinion on the deed between [Maj.] Gen. [Henry] Lee and himself was given on mistaken grounds; requests him to withhold recording the deeds unless he is satisfied that no harm will result by so doing. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

1799. June 17. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Roberts [Petersburg, Virginia]. His conduct in his present situation has not been what it should have been; would employ him again if he would stop

1799. June 17. **Washington,** George—Continued.
drinking; if he will honestly try will take him at usual wages as miller; encloses terms as written by [James] Anderson; [Joseph] Davenport who succeeded him lived at the mill until his death, three years ago; [ ] Callahan, the present miller, is indolent and leaves on Aug. 12th; conditions under which he will be reemployed; advantages of the situation described. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

1799. June 25. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to William Herbert [Alexandria, Virginia]. Disappointment at not receiving money from sale of certain lands; asks Herbert to obtain terms for him from Bank of Alexandria for a loan of $5000 with which to tide over. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 2 pp. Q°.

Almost illegible.

1799. June 26. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Col. Francis Deakins, Georgetown, D. C.]. "Below is a receipt" for proceeds of sale of tobacco received from Mrs. [Priscilla] Beall and for $26 paid by [Hezekiah] Veatch; approves [Deakins'] action towards latter.

Mt. Vernon. June 26, 1799. Receipt to Col. Francis Deakins for $26 paid by H. Veatch on account for rent and for $101.89 for sales of tobacco received from Mrs. Priscilla Beall for rent. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. June 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Edward Savage [Princeton, New Jersey]. Has received his letter of 17th inst. and the prints; extends Mrs. [Martha] Washington's thanks for same and his own for prints of the "Chase" and the "Constitution & L'Insurgent", specimens of engraving by aqua fortis; the discovery should prove valuable; wishes to be informed when he has executed his landscapes by this process. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 1 p. Q°.

1799. Sept. 20. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to Lawrence Lewis [Mt. Vernon]. Provision made for the Custis children; offers Lewis and Nelly Custis [Eleanor Parke Custis Lewis] the Mt. Vernon tract on Gum Spring road on which to live. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 4 pp. Q°.

Printed: Ford, Writings of Washington, 14, 209.

1799. Nov. 30. **Washington,** George. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of armies in America.* Mt. Vernon. Letter to [Rev. Bryan,] Lord Fairfax [Alexandria, Virginia]. Thanks him for the "courses" of his land on Difficult Run [Loudon county, Virginia,] contained in his letter of 20th inst.; is satisfied that the land between the Tankerville line and his own is not waste land as thought; [Washington's] tract is only 275 acres by Norris's survey; the new line cuts off some of the most valuable part by right of an older patent of [Fielding?] Lewis's; [Washington] will meet [Bryan] and Ferd[inando] Fairfax in the spring and run the new lines in conjunction to avoid future disputes. *Letter-press copy of A. L. S.* 3 pp. Q°.

DOCUMENTS TO WASHINGTON.

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[1754?] [Mar.–Oct.] **Virginia,** [Colony.] Troops. Present and proposed establishment. Present establishment of a regiment, with pay of each officer; establishment of a company with pay of officers and rank and file; scheme for forming the Virginia quota into two battalions of 10 companies each; officers and pay recommended. Endorsed by Washington: "Proposed Establ. for the Troops of Virgr" 2 pp. F°.

[1754.] [June.] **West,** John jr. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Return of new recruits; 21 names given. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of the Recruits not incorporated" and "Of Captn. West's New Recruits." 1 p. Q°.

Names are given in index. See: Toner, J. M. Journal of George Washington, 1754, p. 68.

1754. July 1. **Virginia,** [Colony.] Troops, 1st Regiment. [Will's Creek, Maryland.] A morning return to George Washington. Tabular statement. Endorsed by Washington: "A Report of ye Regt. July 1st, 1754." 1 p. 12°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 170.

1754. July 9. **Mercer,** George. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* Will's Creek [Maryland]. Tabulated return of his company [to George Washington]. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Captn. Mercer's Compa." and "A particular and Genl. Return of Captn. Mercer's Company." 1 p. 8°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 180.

1754. July 9. **Van Braam,** Jacob. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Tabulated return of his company [to George Washington]. Signed: "A Return per John Mercer Ensign." Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Captn. Vanbraams Compy." and "A Return of Captn. Vanbraam's Company." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 178.

1754. July 9. **Mercer,** George. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* Will's Creek [Maryland]. Return of his company [to George Washington]. List of men fit for duty, killed, wounded, missing, etc., 50 names. 2 pp. 8°.

Printed: Toner, Washington Journal, 1754, p. 178.

1754. July 9. **Van Braam,** Jacob. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] "List" of his company [returned to George Washington]. Killed, wounded, missing etc. 51 names. Signed: "John Mercer Ensign." Endorsed by Washington: "A particular Retr. of Captn. Vanbraams Compa." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, pp. 176–77.

1754. July 9. **Lewis,** Joshua. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Tabulated return of his company [to George Washington]. Endorsed by Washington: "A general return of Captn. Lewis's Company after ye Engagemt. 3rd. of July" and "A Return of Captn. Lewis's Compy." 1 p. 8°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 176.

[1754.] [July 9.] **Lewis,** Andrew. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Return of his company [to George Washington]. List of killed, wounded, missing etc. 56 names. Endorsed by Washington: "A partr. Return of Capt. Lewis's Coma." and in a different hand: "A particular one—" 1 p. F°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, pp. 174–75.

[1754.] [July 9.] **Stobo,** Robert. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] A return of his company [to George Washington]. List of killed, wounded, missing etc. 53 names. Endorsed by Washington: "A Return for Captn. Stobo's Company." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 170.

1754. July 9. **Hog,** Peter. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Tabulated return of his company [to George Washington]. Signed: "Return per William Bronaugh" Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Captn. Hogs Company" and "A Genl. One." 1 p. 8°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 174.

1754. July 9. **Hog,** Peter. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Return of his company [to George Washington]. List of men fit for duty, wounded etc. Signed: "Return per William Bronaugh". 53 names. Endorsed by Washington: "A Parti'r. Return of Captn. Hogs Compy." and in a different hand: "A particular Return for Captn. Hogs Company." 1 p. F°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, pp. 172–73.

1754. July 9. **Stobo,** Robert. *Capt., 1st Virginia regiment.* [Will's Creek, Maryland.] Tabular return of his company [to George Washington]. Signed: "Willm. Polson." Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Captn. Stobos Compa." 1 p. 8°.

Printed: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, p. 172.

[1754.] **Virginia,** [Colony.] Troops, 1st regiment. List of names of the men in the different companies who have received bounty money from His Excellency [Lt. Gov. Robert Dinwiddie]. Capt. [Robert] Stobo's company, 37 names; Capt. [Peter] Hogg's [Hog's] company, 52 names; Capt. [Joshua] Lewis' company, 42 names; Capt. [Jacob] Vanbraaham's [Vanbraam's] company, 44 names; Capt. [George] Mercer's company, 39 names. Endorsed by Washington: "The Names of those Solders. in the Virginia Regimt. who have receiv'd the Country's Bounty Money pr. Order"; (2) "A list of those Soldiers in Captn. ——— Company who have received the Country's Bounty Money"; (3) "A List —— of those Soldiers who have receiv'd the Country's Bounty Money." 3 pp. Q°.

See: Toner, Washington's Journal, 1754, pp. 200–205.

1756. July 27. **Virginia,** Augusta County, Militia. Council of officers. Augusta Court House, Virginia. Convened in response to Governor's [Lt. Gov. Robert Dinwiddie's] orders; agrees unanimously to build a chain of forts from Paterson's onward; gives number of garrison for each fort and separating distance. Signed by all the members of the council. Contemporary copy endorsed by Washington: "From The Militia Officers of Augusta Cty. Copy of a Council of War 27th. July 1756" 3 pp. F°.

Printed: Hamilton, Letters to Washington. 1, 305.

1757. Mar. 15. **Loudoun,** John Campbell, Earl. *Commander in chief, British Forces in America.* Philadelphia [Pennsylvania]. "Minutes taken at a meeting of the Governors of North Carolina, [Arthur Dobbs,] Virginia, [Robert Dinwiddie,] Maryland, [Horatio Sharpe,] and Pennsilvania, [William Denny,] with The Earl of Loudoun." Plans for defence of the Colonies; troops to be employed under Lt. Col. [Henry] Bouquet; division of expense between Crown and Colonies. Signed: Loudoun, Arthur Dobbs, William Denny, Robt. Dinwiddie, Horatio Sharp. Copy sent to George Washington and endorsed by him: "Council held at Philadelphia—March 1757." 5 pp. Q°.

Printed: Hamilton, Letters to Washington 2, 51.

1758. Sept. 14. **Fort Duquesne,** Pennsylvania [Major James Grant's reconnoissance]. Return to George Washington of officers and men of 1st Virginia regiment killed: Lieuts. John Campbell and James Baker; Ensigns John Allen, Thomas Gist and Coleby Chew; Major Andrew Lewis, prisoner; two noncommissioned officers and fifty-eight rank and file. 2 pp. F°.

Names given in index.

1758. Oct. 6. **Forbes,** John. *Brig. gen., commanding His Majesty's troops in the southern provinces of North America.* Rays Town [now Bedford, Pennsylvania]. Order, "By virtue of the Power and Authority to me given and granted by his Excellency James Abercrombie Esq.", appointing George Washington president of a general court-martial to be held at camp at Loyal Hanna, [Pennsylvania,] for the trial of mutineers and deserters. D. S. Seal. 1 p. F°.

1760. Jan. 8. **Carlyle,** John. *Merchant.* Alexandria [Virginia]. Letter to [Col.] George Washington, Mt. Vernon. Has tried the "Stilliards" [steelyards]; [John] Dalton sends "sum" butter; allowed Col. [Sir William] Fairfax half of his about a month ago; "Yr. Man brings the Wmburg papers". A. L. S. 1 p. 8°.

1760. Jan. 8. **Johnston,** George? *Attorney-at-Law?* [Alexandria, Virginia.] Letter to [Col.] George Washington [Mt. Vernon, Virginia]. Is a fellow-sufferer with him; "This [John] Ballendine . . . . seems lately to have convinced you of his prodigeous Ability in the Art of being a Villian"; "hath long ago given Demonstration in a thousand Instances to others (& amongst the Rest to me)-of his Superior Talents in that Commendable Science"; [Johnston] punished him severely but without effect; will indict him on the supposition that he has been paid in full for two tons of iron; if such is not the case, would advise paying for what has been received

1760. Jan. 8. **Johnston**, George?—Continued.
and letting the matter drop; sends by messenger, deeds from [Sampson?] Darrell to [Washington]; will gladly serve him in the future. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

Irrelevant notes by Washington on verso.

1760. Jan. 23. **Grimett**, Robert. *Overseer of John Ballendine's iron foundry.* [Occoquan? Virginia.] Deposition: Was ordered by John Ballendine to send a ton of bar iron to Col. [George] Washington by water on flat belonging to Messrs. Carlyle and Dalton; receipt given by Derby Pendergrass for a ton previously delivered; river frozen, so sent second ton by land; delivered it to wagoners without weighing.

Oath to above statements taken by Robert Grimett before John Linton. 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in Ballendine, John, Letter to George Washington 1760, Nov. 18.

[1760.] [Jan. 23?] **Ballendine**, John. *Owner of iron foundry at Occoquan Creek, Virginia.* [Occoquan.] Memorandum to George Washington. Weight of iron sent [to Mount Vernon]; "deficiet" and weights noted in Washington's handwriting.

Account of tools loaned and returned by "Cook Jack", "Richard Stephings" [Stephens?] and "John Foster" 2 pp. Q°.

1760. Jan. 24. **Ballendine**, John. *Owner of iron foundry at Occoquan Creek, Virginia.* [Occoquan.] Letter to George Washington, Mt. Vernon. Has had Robert Grimett's deposition taken as to weight of the iron sent; intended no fraud; will supply the deficit in weight or remit balance due on the account; sends a boy before whom would like iron weighed if it has not already been done; has receipt for one ton from Derby Pendergrass; mistake occurred in the second ton. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1760. Nov. 15. **Stephens**, Joseph. [Virginia.] Letter to George Washington [Mt. Vernon]. Has returned to Richard Stephens the £7 received on account of John Ballendine; was informed by former that [Washington] wished a personal settlement with Ballendine. A. L. S. 1 p. 8°.

1760. Nov. 18. **Ballendine**, John. *Owner of iron foundry at Occoquan Creek, Virginia.* [Occoquan.] Letter to George Washington [Mt. Vernon]. Encloses letter which he sent [Jan. 24th] and Robert Grimett's deposition; was sure there was a mistake about the weight of the iron; did not weigh it, not having time; Joseph Stevens, having repaid the £7, difference in account could not be much; will send the iron lacking if so desired; begs pardon for anything that has happened; his character has been hurt by the incident; will show by future conduct that suspicions were unfounded. 1 p. F°.

For deposition mentioned, see Grimett, Robert, Deposition 1760, Jan. 23.

1763. Feb. 14. **Pearson**, Simon. Virginia. Deed of sale to George Washington for 558 acres of land in Fairfax county, Virginia, for £191 7s. Signed by Simon Pearson. Witnessed by Robert Douglass, W[ ] Payne, Robert Johnston, Edward Conner, William Ramsay, John Kirkpatrick, G[ ] Johnston, John Carlyle, John Copithorn, Joseph Watson, W[ ] Ellery, Benjamin Grayson, Daniel McCarty and H[ ] West.

1763. Feb. 14. **Pearson,** Simon—Continued.
Receipt to Washington for the above amount.
Certificate of proof of above indenture and receipt signed by "Ben. Waller, Clk. of Court."
Contemporary Copy. "teste Wilson Allen, C. G. C." 4 pp. F°.

1769. Aug. 29. **Brown,** James. [Annapolis? Maryland.] Account against John [Parke] Custiss [Custis]. Account is for shoes, buckles, etc., amounting to £4 13s. On verso is Brown's receipt to [Rev. Jonathan] Boucher for £4 19s. in payment of above charge and for 10s. on latter's account, dated Fredericksburg, [Virginia,] Oct. 19, 1769. 1 p. Q°.

[1770.] [Mar. ?] **Boucher,** Jonathan. *Rector of St. Mary's Parish, Caroline county, Virginia.* Caroline. Letter to "Colonel" George Washington, Fairfax, Virginia. Loss of fortune of Mrs. [Colin?] Campbell [Williamsburg]; has bought slaves for her on own credit to amount of £370; [William?] Claiborne has promised to pay £50 of this and Roger Dixon £100; Boucher is accountable for balance; asks for a loan of the sum as he cannot raise it; suggests that estate of [John Parke] Custis can furnish it; will give mortgage on his negroes as security; if loan is granted it must be before April 1st; [ ] Addison will purchase a boy for [Boucher]; wishes Washington to send him down. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1770. June 10–July 10. **Frazier,** Joshua. [Annapolis? Maryland.] Account against Rev. Jonathan Boucher. Account is for board from date to Dec. 15th.
Account against John Parke Custis. Account is for board from date to Nov. 11th. On verso is written: "Mr. hindman Bord and Club 11:16 Mr Addorson Bord 2. 0. 0. To worke Dun 3. 0. 0." 1 p. Q°.

1770. Sept. [30?] **Johnson,** Mary. [Annapolis? Maryland.] Account against [Rev. Jonathan] Boucher. Account is for washing clothes belonging to [John Parke] Custis; 15 shillings due on September account. 1 p. Q°.

1771. May 8. **Harwood & Brice.** [Alexandria? Virginia.] Account against John Parke Custis. Account is for £1 expended for shoe buckles and gloves. 1 p. 7½ x 2½ inches.

[1771?] [Nov?] **Boucher,** Jonathan. *Rector of St. Mary's parish, Caroline county, Virginia.* [Caroline.] Letter to "Colonel" George Washington [Mt. Vernon]. Joe [servant?] missed him on his way through his new parish; is busy moving; thanks Washington for his frankness regarding sending of [John Parke Custis] to him; will be candid in return; will always assist with advice; has rented [ ] Magruder's house; boy [Joe?] detained by [ ] Johnson; Gov. [Robert] Eden [Maryland] and Boucher will visit [Washington] Monday or Tuesday of next week. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1771. [Nov?] **Pinkney,** Robert. [Annapolis? Maryland.] Account against John Parke Custis. Account is for £13 15s. 10d., for tailoring from Sept. 8, 1770, to Nov. 15, 1771. 1 p. F°.

1771. Dec. 16. **Campbell,** Thomas & Co. Annapolis, Maryland. Account against John Parke Custis. Account is for £8 8s. 4d., for clothing from Sept. 25, 1770, to Nov. 11, 1770. Signed: Colin Campbell. 1 p. F°.

1771. **Jacques,** Lancelot. [Alexandria? Virginia.] Account against John Parke Custis. Account is for £22 12s. 2d., for clothing etc. from Aug. 13, to Nov. 19, 1771; Henry Gassaway's account for £6 7s. 1d., is included. 1 p. F°.

1771. **Gassaway,** Henry. [Virginia.] Account against [John Parke] Custis. Account is for £6 7s. 1d. for feeding and pasturage of a bay horse during March 1771; requests that above amount be paid to Lancelot Jacques. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1771. **Gassaway,** Henry. [Virginia.] Account against Rev. Jonathan Boucher. Account is for £2 6s. for forage for his own, [John Parke] Custis's, Capt. [ ] Fox's, [ ] Stradler's and [ ] Addison's horses during March, September and October; requests that above amount be paid to Lancelot Jacques. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1773.] **Blair,** John. *Clerk of Provincial Assembly of Virginia.* [Williamsburg? Virginia.] Letter to "Colonel" George Washington [Eltham, Virginia]. Encloses orders of the Council [of Virginia] of Thursday last; on Saturday [Patrick] Henry's motion regarding surveys of land on "the Western Waters" was carried; Dr. [Thomas] Walker, John Byrd and John May were appointed a committee to examine surveyors books and prevent fraud; enjoins silence concerning this. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1774. May 16. **Virginia,** [Colony.] Fairfax County. Alexandria. Letter to the representatives of Fairfax county [in Virginia Assembly: George Washington, Capt. John West and John West esq.; Williamsburg,] concerning repeal of tax on rum; encloses petition of Fairfax county; recommends license be issued dealers for £5 per annum; would more than equal present tax receipts; penalty for selling without a license; recommends raising ordinary licenses from 55s. to £5 and a tax of £5 annually on billiard tables; nine-tenths of rum consumed is imported from Maryland and Pennsylvania without paying duty. 2 pp. Q°.

See: Virginia, Fairfax County, Memoranda, 1774, May 16; and Ramsey, William and others, Letter to George Washington and John West 1774 May 16.

[1774?] [May 16?] **Virginia,** [Colony.] Fairfax County. [Alexandria.] Memoranda. Law of inspection of fish; requirements for barrels, size, hooping etc.; requirements for inspection and packing of fish. 1 p. Q°.

See: Virginia, Fairfax County, Letter to representatives 1774, May 16; and Ramsey William and others, Letter to George Washington and John West 1774, May 16.

1774. May 16. **Ramsey,** William; **Adam,** Robert and **Carlyle & Dalton.** Alexandria. Letter to George Washington, and John West, Williamsburg, Virginia. Send three petitions respecting duty on rum, enlarging the town [Alexandria] and draining marsh and respecting "Herring fishery"; town is in a thriving condition; northern merchants and mechanics come to settle; duty on rum discourages them; want of houses and lots prevents their staying; incident cited; great encouragement to build but no land to be had; wishes Assembly to appropriate lands; are sorry for [ ] Alexander and do not wish to take advantage of him; trustees have acted with candor towards the proprietors; Alexander received £700

1774. May 16. **Ramsey,** William; **Adam,** Robert and **Carlyle & Dalton**—Continued. recently for 18 or 20 acres; marsh lots should be drained; specifications for herring packing recommended; fine and forfeiture for non-compliance; culler of [barrel] staves and measurer should be appointed; petition also sent for suppressing the nuisance of hogs and geese being allowed to run wild. 4 pp. Q°.

See: Virginia, Fairfax County, Letter to representatives 1774, May 16; and Virginia Fairfax County, Memoranda 1774, May 16.

1774. May 19. **Lysle,** John. Alexandria [Virginia]. Letter to Capt. John West, Williamsburg. Encloses Pearson Chapman's petition to House of Burgesses; his brother, [George] Chapman, is injuring him daily; hopes Assembly will throw aside his mother's application; in accordance with West's promise to present to the House any paper asked, this petition is sent; in absence of Capt. West, begs favor of John West, esq. or George Washington to present enclosed petition. Endorsed: "From John Lysle to the Representatives of the County of Fairfax." A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1774. May 19. **Chapman,** Pearson. *of Maryland.* [Alexandria? Virginia.] Petition to the Virginia House of Burgesses. Is heir apparent to Constant Chapman, widow; she holds entail land near Alexandria; petitioner owns valuable adjoining tract; application is to be made to present Assembly to dock the entail of the above land to prevent descent to the petitioner and his three sons; design is to enrich a second son [George Chapman]; petitioner has made said Chapman presents of land frequently; latter is now rich; his mother is able to purchase land for him if she so desires; prays that no act be passed injurious to the petitioner or his family. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1774. Aug. 30. **Herbert,** William. Alexandria [Virginia]. Letter to "Colonel" George Washington, Mt. Vernon. Sends as promised, information respecting wheat and flour that came to this market [Alexandria] from Sept. 1, 1773 to date; amount is 27,325 barrels of flour and 140,000 bushels of wheat; two or three have not given in quantities which will probably bring wheat up to 150,000 bushels. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1774. Oct. 24. **Harrison,** Benjamin; **Randolph,** Peyton and **Bland,** Richard. *Delegates from Virginia to the First Continental Congress.* Philadelphia. Authorization to George Washington to sign their names to any of the proceedings of the Congress. In handwriting of Harrison? D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1774. Dec. 12. **Mercer,** George and others. Virginia. Deed of sale to George Washington. Sale of 1168 acres of land on Four Mile Run, Fairfax county, Virginia, for £900. Signed by George Mercer, James Mercer, John Henry Cazenove and Elias Lindo. Witnessed by William Porter, John Glassell, Lachlan Campbell, Christopher Yates, John Meals, George Mitchell, Henry Mitchell, Alexander Keith, Alexander Dromgool and Thomas Mountfield. Endorsed as proved, before a General Court, April 15, 1775, by "Ben. Waller, Cl: Cur" 2 pp. F°.

[1775.] [June] **Fort George,** New York, Military stores. List of cannon, muskets, powder etc. Endorsed by Washington: "Stores at Fort George" 1 p. Q°.

1775. July 14. **Dodge,** Richard. *Capt., col. Samuel Gerrish's Massachusetts regiment.* Chelsea [Massachusetts]. A return of stock taken off Pullet and Shirley Points. "80 Horncreuters" [cattle], 883 sheep. On verso is written: "Daniel Segeney 3 cowes 1 year old. John Backer 2 cowes two year old" A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. July 22. **Davis,** Joshua. *Capt. and agent for fitting out whale boats?* Cambridge. Estimate submitted to Gen. George Washington. "Pursuant to your Excellency's orders" account rendered of necessaries for fitting out 100 whale boats; crews needed; ammunition and supplies. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "22d. July 1775". 1 p. F°.

1775. July 26. **"Nancy".** *British store ship, Robert Hunter, master.* [London?] Invoice of stores captured by Capt. [John] Manley. John Wilkinson, contractor, shipped stores to John Grant, on order of Col. [Samuel] Cleveland. Signed: B. Blight "For Mr. Durnford" Added in Moylan's handwriting: "Appraised by Henry Bromfield Esq., & Wm. Davis 12 Augt. 1776 to £20530: 18: 2 Ll. My." [lawful money.] 7 pp. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1721. See also: Harrison, Robert Hanson, Invoice of stores on British ship Nancy 1775, Nov. 30.

1775. [July 26?] **Connecticut,** [Colony.] Troops, 2d regiment. [Roxbury, Massachusetts.] Remonstrance of officers of regiment to Brig. Gen. Joseph Spencer. Protest against appointment of Ebenezer Huntington as lieutenant in Capt. [John] Chester's company, vice Lt. [Samuel Blatchey] Webb, appointed Aid-de-camp to [Maj.] Gen. [Israel] Putnam; such appointment not in accord with precedent; would dampen enthusiasm and kill ambition of officers; no objection to Huntington but only to mode of appointment. Copy attested "Solomon Willis Chairman"; remonstrance addressed and forwarded by Spencer: "To his Excellency General Washington, New York." 25 signatures. 2 pp. F°.

Names given in index.

1775. July 27. **Davis,** Joshua. *Capt. and agent for fitting out whale boats?* Cambridge. Return of boats "for the Coloneys Servis"; number, kinds etc.; submitted to "his Exelency Genrl. Washenton". A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Captn. Joshua Davis's return of the Boats" 1 p. F°.

1775. Aug. 13. **"Hope"** *British store ship from Cork, George Curwin, master.* List of goods on.

Aug. 17. Philadelphia. Account of goods belonging to Major [Christopher] French, Ensign [John] Rotten and Cadet [William] McDermott. 1 p. F°.

Enclosed in Pennsylvania, Committee of Safety, Letter to George Washington 1775, Aug. 17. See: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 499-500.

1775. Aug. 17. **Pennsylvania,** [Province.] Committee of Safety. Philadelphia. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Capt. [William] Bradford and 30 men, by order of the Committee, seized a ship [*Hope*, George Curwin, master,] at Gloucester [New Jersey,] from Cork, [Ireland,] with clothing for the ministerial army at Boston; three ministerial officers on board; these officers—Major [Christopher] French, [Ensign John Rotten and Cadet

1775. Aug. 17. **Pennsylvania,** [Province.]—Continued.
William McDermott]—are coming to camp [Cambridge] on parole under escort of Captains [Richard] Willing and [John] Wharton; encloses certificates given French at his request and invoice of the goods captured; has sent powder to [Maj.] Gen. [Philip] Schuyler. L. S. "By Order B. Franklin, Presdt". 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 148.

1775. Aug. 22. **Babcock,** James. *Lt. col., 1st Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from service on account of ill health. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Aug. 22. **Parke,** John. *Lt., 1st Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington, Cambridge. Asks for discharge from the Army; necessity of providing for his sister-in-law, whose husband was slain at battle of Charlestown, [Bunker Hill,] and for an aged father. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Aug. 22. **Randall,** John. *Capt., 1st Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington, Cambridge. Asks for discharge from the Army on account of ill health. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Sept. 2. **Angel,** Abiathari. *Capt., col. David Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Offers resignation; raised and marched his company to the front at great expense at beginning of campaign; is in poor health and misunderstandings have arisen between himself and men; begs to resign in favor of Capt. Henry Work; requests that his pay be made good until time of his resignation. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

[1775.] [Sept. 6?] **Perry,** David. *2d Lieut., 8th company, 3d Connecticut regiment.* [Cambridge.] Petition to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; his wife has been injured by falling from a horse and his children have no one to provide for them. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Sept. 7. **Bowen,** Levi. *Ensign, capt. Jonathan Danforth's company, col. David Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; absented himself without leave, to visit his family who were sick and in distress; health has been injured by the service; is at present under arrest; wishes pay for his time in service, release from arrest and discharge from the Army. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1775. Sept. 9. **Sullivan,** John. *Brig. gen. Continental army.* Winter Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Proceedings of a court of inquiry. Court held in Sullivan's brigade to investigate complaints against the Director General of the Hospital [John Morgan] by the regimental surgeons; court composed of: Colonels [James] Reed, [John] Nixon, [John] Stark, [Enoch] Poor, [Ephraim] Doolittle and [Israel] Hutchinson; from evidence it appears that the Director General

1775. Sept. 9. **Sullivan,** John—Continued.

has acquitted himself of the charge with honor; shifting channel of supplies from Commissary to Director General being improperly attended to is the cause of the misunderstanding; no blame attached to surgeons; Director General has no complaint as to heavy expenses incurred by regimental hospitals except in case of Dr. [Enoch] Dole of Col. Doolittle's regiment; evidence in his case falls short of proving charge, therefore he stands acquitted. D. S. "by order of The Court of Inquiry Jno Sullivan President." 1 p. F°.

1775. Sept. 11. **Foster,** Gideon. *Capt., col. John Mansfield's Massachusetts regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Petition to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Offers his resignation; is in poor health and illness is increasing; his estate is suffering for want of management; recommends Capt. John Baker as his successor. L. S. "Gideon Foster [and] Israel Hutchinson, Left. Colo." 1 p. F°.

1775. Sept. 14. **Baker,** John. *Capt., col. Loammi Baldwin's Massachusetts regiment.* Cambridge. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; difficulty has arisen between him and Joseph Pettigell as to who shall command the 10th company in 38th Massachusetts regiment; agreed to leave the trouble to the officers of the regiment; their decision in favor of Pettigell, therefore prays a discharge. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1775.] Sept. 18. **Langdon,** [Samuel.] *President of Harvard College.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Certifies that Samuel Woodward, Sergeant in late Col. [Thomas] Gardner's [Massachusetts] regiment and in Capt. [Nathan] Fuller's company is a Harvard student in his last year; has begged [Langdon's] intercession for obtaining a discharge from the Army. A. L. Signed in body of document. 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Harvard Graduates Mag. 11, 310.

1775. Sept. 18. **Langdon,** [Samuel.] *President of Harvard College.* [Cambridge.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Certifies that John Child, Ensign in Capt. [Abner] Crafts' company, late Col. [Thomas] Gardner's [Massachusetts] regiment, is a Harvard student in his last year; desires to complete his course. A. L. Signed in body of document. 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Harvard Graduates Mag. 11, 310.

1775. Sept. 18. **Maynard,** Nathaniel. *Lieut., capt. Thaddeus Russell's company, col. Jonathan Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; entered the service to great detriment of his private interests; his aged father unable to care for his family; many gentlemen better qualified stand ready to take his place; begs to resign his commission for above reasons. D. S. Endorsed: "the with in instrument I consent to J. Brewer Coll." 1 p. Q°.

1775. Sept. 18. **French,** Christopher. *Major, British army.* Hartford [Connecticut]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Members of the Committee, Messrs. [Thomas] Seymour and [Benjamin] Pain [Payne] seemed satisfied with their parole to the United

1775. Sept. 18. **French,** Christopher—Continued.
Provinces; have now requested that they do not wear their swords as "the lower class of Townspeople took umbrage at our wearing them"; questions the authority of the Committee that has decided against them; appeals [to Washington] for a decision in their favor; Committees "may continue to exact new Submissions from us 'till they put us in Goal for noncompliance" A. D. S. Endorsed by Joseph Reed: "Major French, Sept. 18, 1775". 2 pp. F°.

1775. Sept. 21. **Massachusetts,** [Colony.] Marblehead, Inhabitants. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Dangers of attack by the British; have raised money to fortify the harbor; pray that [ ] Burbank be allowed to come and direct the work; congratulations on Washington's appointment [as Commander in Chief]. 1 p. F°.

1775. Sept. 22. **Black,** John. *Capt., col. Jonathan Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; has been in service since April 19th [1775]; has a bad pain in his side; doctor says it will be made worse by continuing in service; lives a distance from camp; does not know when he will be fit for duty so can not ask for leave; begs to resign his commission. D. S. Approved by "J. Brewer Coll". 1 p. F°.

1775. Sept. 23. **Dodge,** Richard. *Capt., col. Samuel Gerrish's Massachusetts regiment.* Chelsea [Massachusetts]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Has nothing remarkable to "Wright"; has included the "minutes that Mr. Leach touck Down"; wishes to know if he is to make a report each day. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Sept. 28. **Harris,** Joseph. *Ensign, capt. James Williams' company, 11th. Continental infantry.* Cambridge. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; is now ill and has been so since entering the service; has no prospect of being able to do a "Tower" of duty. A. D. S. 1 p. 8°.

1775. Sept. 29. **Southworth,** Jedidiah. *Lieut., col. Joseph Read's Massachusetts regiment.* Roxbury Camp [Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Has been in the service since April 19th last; health is poor; is unfit for service and desires discharge. D. S. "Jedh. Southworth Joseph Read" 1 p. F°.

1775. Oct. 2. **Massachusetts,** [Colony.] Springfield, Committee of Correspondence. Letter to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. The Committee forwards to Washington a "Coppy of a letter sent to Wm. Pynchon Junr."; letter requests [Pynchon] to obtain if possible the discharge of Robert Henderson, James Smith and George Hunter; they are prisoners, taken by Major [Benjamin] Tupper; their conduct has been good; no employment can be found for them and the prisoners wish the Committee to secure their release. L. S. "James Sikes, Moses Field, Thos. Stebbins, Reuben Bliss Committee of Correspondence for s'd Town". 2 pp. Q°.

1775. Oct. 3. **Markham,** Barzillai. *Ensign 8th Connecticut regiment.* Roxbury Camp [Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the service because of illness. D. S.

Waldo, John. *Surgeon pro tem. of Continental hospital.* Roxbury. Certificate of ill health of Ensign Barzillai Markham; is still unwell and cannot endure the hardship of present campaign; recommends discharge of Markham from the service. Addressed "to Col. Jedh. Huntington Esqr." A. D. S.

Huntington, Jedidiah. *Col., 8th Connecticut regiment.* Roxbury. "Pray the above mentioned may be discharged." A. D. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1775. Oct. 7. **Terrill,** Thomas. *Lieut., capt. John Ripley's company, 8th Connecticut regiment.* Roxbury Camp [Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the service because of illness. D. S. Approved by "Jed Huntington Colonel". 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 7. **Hitchcock,** Daniel. *Col., Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Asks for the discharge of William Vinson. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 8. **Continental Army.** Council of war. "Headquarters," [Cambridge.] To consider the increase and support of the army; ten questions propounded by Washington to his officers on Oct. 5th, with their answers; members of council: Gen. Washington, Maj. Genls. [Jonathan] Ward, [Charles] Lee, [Israel] Putnam; Brig. Genls. [John] Thomas, [Joseph] Spencer, [William] Heath, [John] Sullivan, [Nathanael] Greene, [Horatio] Gates. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch, 4th. Ser., 3, 1039. Summary in Ford, Writings of Washington, 3, 361. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 3, 123.

1775. Oct. 9. **Hitchcock,** Daniel. *Col., Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Asks for the discharge of William Vinson. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 9. **Sawyer,** Ezekiel, and others. *Privates in Capt. Thomas Mighill's company, col. Samuel Gerrish's Massachusetts regiment.* [Boston.] Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Officers of company are Capt. Mighill, 1st Lt. [Henry?] Nelson, 2d Lt. [Mark] Cresy, 1st Sergt. Amos Bayley, 2d Sergt. [Thomas] Pike; Nelson refused to remain in camp; Pike appointed to his place, though from a different parish; promised that if Capt. were removed the first parish should have the vacancy; prays that if Capt. [Mighill] be promoted Cresy be made Capt., Pike retain his place and "Bailey" be made 2d Lieut. 33 signatures. 1 p. F°.

Names given in index.

1775. Oct. 9–16. **Stoughton,** Samuel jr. *Ensign, 8th Connecticut regiment.* Windsor, Connecticut. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; his furlough from [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward has expired; his family is ill; a great deal of sick-

1775. Oct. 9–16. **Stoughton,** Samuel jr.—Continued.
ness known as camp disorder is around and proving fatal; he himself is unwell and will probably not be fit for duty this campaign; begs the appointment of some one in his place. D. S. Approved: "Jed. Huntington Col". 2 pp. Q°.

1775. Oct. 10. **March,** John. *Ensign, capt. William Hutchin's company, 3d New Hampshire regiment.* Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; constitution is weak. D. S. Approved: "Wm. Hutchins, Capt" and "Israel Gilman, Lt. Col". 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 11. **Thomas,** John. *Brig. gen. Continental army.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Thinks three subalterns could be spared from the Army; has selected [Lt.] King Lapham, Joshua Baisto, and Lt. [Joseph] Cole [jr.]; has directed them to wait upon His Excellency. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 13. **Thomas,** John. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Capt. [Joshua?] Benson of Col. [Theophilus] Cotton's [Massachusetts] regiment solicits a discharge; will be no detriment to the Army to grant same. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Oct. 13. **Bundy,** Peter. *Private, capt. Malcolm Henry's company, col. David Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Westfield, Massachusetts. Petition to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Father has died; family consisting of mother and eight brothers and sisters have no one to look after them or tend the farm; hired labor cannot be had; therefore prays a discharge from the Army. D. S.

Oct. 14. **Massachusetts,** Westfield, Selectmen. Attestation to truth of statement in above petition. D. S.: "John Mosely, Daniel Fowler, Wm. Shyrard, Elisha Parks." Approved: "Rufus Putnam Lt. Col." 2 pp. F°.

1775. Oct. 14. **Sullivan,** John. *Brig. gen. Continental army.* Winter Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. List of men in brigade recommended for discharge; company and regiment to which invalids belong; 59 names. D. S. 1 p. F°.

Names given in index. Letter accompanying this list printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1067.

1775. Oct. 14. **Church,** Thomas. *Col. 3d Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Endorses application for discharge of Capt. William Cooke; his bodily indisposition is such that performance of duty is painful. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1775.] Oct. 15–Nov. 18. **Bowen,** Ephraim jr. *Capt. and agent for fitting out armed vessels.* Plymouth [Massachusetts]. Journal kept while at Plymouth fitting out an armed vessel according to [Gen. George Washington's] instructions; daily notes of his actions from Oct. 15th to Nov. 18th. A. D. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 3, 1056.

1775. [Oct. 20.] **White,** Nehemiah. *Lt., col. Joseph Read's Massachusetts regiment.* [Roxbury, Massachusetts.] Petition to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; has been in the service since beginning of the present campaign; bad health has prevented him doing duty since June last. D. S. Approved: "Ebenr. Clap, Lt. Colo." 1 p. F°.

1775. Oct. 23. **Thomas,** John. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington]. Regrets troubling His Excellency so often; forwards application for discharge of Lt. [George] Blake of Col. John Fellows's regiment; he will be no loss to the Army. A. L. S. 1p. 8°.

1775. Oct. 23. **Thompson,** William. *Col. 2d Pennsylvania rifle regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Return [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Deserters from the 2d regiment since their arrival at Cambridge; 13 names. Endorsed by Washington: "Colo. Thompson's return of Deserters." 1 p. F°.

Names given in index.

1775. Oct. 23. **Homans,** John. *Surgeon, col. Benjamin Ruggles Woodbridge's Massachusetts regiment.* Camp near Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Certificate to Col. Woodbridge of illness of Sergt. Ebenezer Keeler. A. D. S. Approved: "R. Woodbridge Col." 2 pp. Q°.

1775. Oct. 23. **Kittredge,** Thomas. *Surgeon, col. James Frye's Massachusetts regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Certificate that Peter Webster, private in Frye's regiment has "a Hemorage" from his lungs; is not fit for duty. A. D. S.

Brickett, James. *Lt. col. of col. Frye's regiment.* Discharge of Peter Webster from the service of the United Colonies. A. D. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1775.] Oct. 28. **Langdon,** [Samuel.] *President of Harvard College* [Cambridge]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Certifies that Edmund Foster, Sergt. in Capt. [Oliver] Pond's company, Col. Joseph Read's Massachusetts regiment, is a candidate for admission into Harvard; Foster wishes to be discharged "that he may renew his acquaintance with the Classics"; his age pleads for him. A. L. Signed in body of document. Endorsed by Stephen Moylan: "*I, meliora sequere fata*". 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Harvard Graduates Mag. 9, 311.

1775. Oct. 28. **Boston Harbor,** British ships in. Cambridge. Anonymous letter to [Britannicus?] Watertown [Massachusetts]. Gen. [George] Washington desired the author to reduce to writing anything he knew about the [British] Navy at Boston; begs that he be shown enclosed memorandum; sends plan for attacking the ship *Preston;* must go immediately to Newbury Port; will return in a few days and see [Britannicus?] in person. 1 p. F°.

See the two entries following.

[1775.] [Oct. 28.] **"Preston."** *British flag-ship in Boston harbor.* [Cambridge.] Suggestions regarding the seizure of. Number of guns; size and condition of crew; number and disposition of night watch; men necessary to capture the ship; plan of action proposed. 2 pp. F°.

Enclosed in the preceding document.

[1775.] Oct. 28. **Boston Harbor,** British ships in. [Cambridge.] Names, rates and situation of the [British] ships in Boston Harbor: *Boyne, Preston, Scarborough,* and *Mercury.* 1 p. F°.

Enclosed in Boston Harbor, British ships in, Anonymous letter 1775, Oct. 28.

1775. Oct. 29. **Reed,** Joseph. *Lt. col. and military secretary to Washington.* [Cambridge.] List of armed vessels at Salem, Marblehead and Plymouth; their captains, condition, number of guns; agents at various ports; recommends [Stephen] Moylan as proper person to oversee the fitting out of the vessels named. A. D. S. 4 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 3, 1251.

1775. Oct. 29. **Hastings,** Eliphelet. *Ensign, col. Jonathan Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Cambridge. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; state of his family owing to sickness and death compel him to make this request. On verso: "The Within is By my Consent J Brewer Coll." A. D. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1775. Oct. 30. **Storrs,** Experience. *Lt. col., 3d Connecticut regiment.* Cambridge. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Requests the discharge from the Army of Ensign [Isaac] Farewell; has done his duty; at present is incapacitated by rheumatism. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°

1775. Oct. 31. **Gates,** Benjamin. *Lieut., capt. John Black's company, col. Jonathan Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; entered the service suddenly; circumstances of his family require that he should beg leave to resign. A. D. S. On verso: "The Witbin is By my Consent J Brewer Coll." 2 pp Q°.

[1775.] [Oct.] **Cochran,** William. *Lieut., col. Paul Dudley Sargent's Massachusetts regiment.* [Cambridge.] Petition to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; health has given away and he is unable to perform his duty. Approved: "Paul Dudley Sargent." 1 p F°.

[1775.] [Oct?] [**Sullivan,** John.] *Brig. gen., Continental army.* [Winter Hill, Charlestown, Massachusetts.] Memorandum sent to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Following officers of Sullivan's brigade have requested permission to resign: Ensign Samuel Dearborn, Lt. Jacob Webster and Ensign Abraham Sanborn. A. D. 1 p. Q°.

[1775.] [Oct?] **Hitchcock,** Daniel. *Col., 2d Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Lieut. [David] Richmond of Capt. [John] Field's company has permission to resign if agreeable to His Excellency. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Nov. 10. **Craft,** Benjamin. *Lt., capt. Benjamin Kimball's company, 19th Massachusetts regiment.* Winter Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Petition to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge from the Army; family live in a seaport town and therefore are in danger from the enemy; was assured no difficulty

1775. Nov. 10. **Craft,** Benjamin—Continued.
would attend procuring his discharge; has agreed to make and turn into the army 100 pairs of shoes monthly; has laid in a stock for that purpose; suggests that his being detained will be prejudicial. "Discharged 11 Nov. 1775" D. S. 1 p. F°.

1775. Nov. 11. **Storrs,** Ebenezer. *Lt. col., 3d Connecticut regiment.* Cambridge. Letter to [Gen.] George Washington, Cambridge. On request of Ensign [Caleb] Stanley, encloses surgeon's certificate of his condition; seems useless to hold officers "that havt a stomake"; the company he leaves has but one officer fit for duty; more care should be given it. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Caleb Stanley Ensign in Putnams Co. Storrs Reg't dischd. 12 Nov. 1775". 1 p. Q°.

See: Spalding, John, Certificate 1775, Nov. 11. Foster, Isaac, Certificate 1775, Nov. 12.

1775. Nov. 11. **Spalding,** John. *Surgeon, 3d Connecticut regiment.* Cambridge. Certificate to Col. Experience Stores [Storrs]. Physical condition of Ensign Caleb Stanley; has been ill a long time with a pain in his breast; thinks best to have him discharged. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in Storrs, Ebenezer, Letter to George Washington 1775, Nov. 11.

1775. Nov. 12. **Foster,** Isaac. *Surgeon and director of Continental hospital.* [Cambridge.] Certificate of illness of Ensign Caleb Stanley; is unfit for duty and "like to remain so during this Campaign". Printed form, filled out and signed. 1 p. 12°.

Enclosed in Storrs, Ebenezer, Letter to George Washington 1775, Nov. 11.

1775. Nov. 13. **Thompson,** William. *Col., 2d Pennsylvania rifle regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Letter to [Gen. George] Washington [Cambridge]. Requests discharge of Lieut. [Henry] Cromer [Crone]; has been a good officer but believes his health will not permit him to do his duty this winter; rest of his officers are in good health; hopes this is the last request of this nature he will have to make. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1775.] [Nov. 14.] **[Putnam,** Rufus.] *Lt. col., col. David Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Table of distances from Gridley's Point, Cobble Hill etc. to Boston and other places in miles, perches, rods and yards. A. D. Endorsed by Washington: "Col. Putnam's distances from Leachmeres Point to Bunkers Hill, Boston ec. 14th. Nov. 1775." 1 p. Q°.

[1775.] Nov. 16. **[Putnam,** Rufus.] *Lt. col., col. David Brewer's Massachusetts regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Table of distances from Leachmores Barn "by observation" and from Cobble Hill in rods, furlongs and "pearches". A. D. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Nov. 18. **Britannicus** *American informant.* [Watertown, Massachusetts.] Letter to Gen. George Washington [Roxbury, Massachusetts]. Proposes capture of the man-of-war *Preston;* encloses papers received; probably came from [ ] Hitchborn; *Preston* could not be carried off, though easily captured; her powder and shot might be secured by a sufficient number of whale-boats and the ship then burned; suggests that H—s plan be applied to the *Boyne;* she is rigged and lies off Spectacle Island [Boston

1775. Nov. 18. **Britannicus** *American informant*—Continued.
harbor]; if secured she would do good service in taking Castle [William] in its present dismembered condition; arms and ammunition probably there. 2 pp. F°.

See: Boston Harbor, British ships in, Anonymous letter 1775, Oct. 28.

1775. Nov. 25. **Heath,** William. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* [Boston.] Tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. State of arms and ammunition in the several regiments of Heath's brigade; regiments commanded by Cols. [William] Prescott, [John] Paterson, [James] Scammon, [Edmund] Phinney, [John] Greaton and [Lt.] Col. Loammi Baldwin; account of supplies in magazine at No. 1. 1 p. sm. Q°.

1775. Nov. 29. **Sullivan,** John. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Winter Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. The bearer, Ensign Zebulon Drew has for a long time been troubled with a disorder; is unfit for duty and will probably remain so during this campaign; recommends his discharge. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1775. Nov. 30. **Homans,** John. *Surgeon, 2d Continental infantry.* "Camp near Prospect Hill" [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Certificate [to Col. Benjamin Ruggles Woodbridge]. Lameness of John Wetherbee, a private in Capt. [Reuben] Dickerson's [Dickinson's] company. A. D. S.

Woodbridge, Benjamin Ruggles. *Col., Massachusetts regiment.* Camp near Prospect Hill. Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge] for discharge of John Wetherbee. A. D. S. 1 p. sm. Q°.

1775. Dec. 5. **Varnum,** [James Mitchell.] *Col., 1st Rhode Island regiment.* Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Ralph Morgan's wife and two children with furniture have been turned into the street; Morgan desires eight days absence to provide for them; regard for general orders will not admit of regimental relief; "begs his Excellency's commisseration for the poor man." A. L. Signed in body of document. 1 p. 8°.

1775. Dec. 8. **Thomas,** John. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Roxbury [Massachusetts]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Capt. [Israel?] Chapin was arranged with Col. [Artemas] Ward's regiment; not successful in recruiting and for some other reason has handed in the enclosed resignation; Capt. [Simeon?] Hazleton in same regiment, assigned to Col. Jonathan Brewer's regiment, is dissatisfied; well recommended by Col. [John] Fellows and others; hopes he can be allowed to take Chapin's place. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

Answer granting request is printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 221.

1775. Dec. 9. **Prescott,** William. *Col. of a Massachusetts regiment.* Sewall's Point [near Boston]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Lt. James Russell represents that the affairs of his family require his attention at home; is willing that he be discharged or retired on furlongh. L. S. Endorsed: "Lieut. Russell dischargd. 9 Dec 75" 1 p. Q°.

1775. Dec. 9. **Cheever**, Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* Cambridge. Receipt to Gen. [George] Washington for ten firelocks with steel hammers, nine pouches, three "Cartouch" boxes, seven bullet bags, nine bayonets with eight belts and scabbards. A. D. S. 1 p. 12°.

1775. Dec. 22. **Woodbridge**, [Benjamin] R[uggles]. *Col., Massachusetts regiment.* Cambridge. Certificate [to Gen. George Washington] of willingness that Sergt. Joseph Foster be discharged. A. D. S.

Certificate that the town of Ware has sent one man more, in Capt. [Elijah] Dwight's company, than the number ordered by the [General] Court [of Massachusetts]. A. D. S. 2 pp. 12°.

[1775.] **Dodge**, William. *Private, col. Richard Gridley's Massachusetts regiment of artillery.* [Camp near Boston.] Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge?]. Asks for discharge from the Army; is afflicted with rheumatism and other disorders; is in poor circumstances and has a sickly wife and a large family of children to support. D. S. Endorsed: "I consent to his discharge R. Gridley". 1 p. 8°.

[1775.] **Russell**, Thomas. *Private, capt. Nathan Brown's company, col. John Mansfield's Massachusetts regiment.* [Camp near Boston.] Petition to Gen. [George] Washington, [Cambridge]. Asks for discharge; rheumatism has unfitted him for duty for past twelve months; has a wife and children in Baltimore county, Maryland; desires to go to them. A. D. S. Approved: "Israel Hutchinson, Lefr. Col" and "Nathan Brown, Capt." 1 p. F°.

[1775.] **Massachusetts**, [Colony.] General Court. [Watertown.] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Has information that intelligence of all movements is conveyed to [Brig.] Gen. [Thomas] Gage by some New Hampshire men who are going to and from the Army; suggests sending a force to cut off communication between the ship *Scarborough* now in Piscataway harbor and the Colony of New Hampshire; thinks he should inform the Provincial Congress [of New Hampshire] of this. Incomplete draft. 1 p. F°.

[1775.] **Massachusetts**, [Colony.] Committee of Supplies. [Watertown.] Estimate [submitted to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge,] of ordnance and supplies furnished the Massachusetts forces. Signed: Moses Gill, Benjamin Lincoln, John Pitts, James Prescott, Elisha Porter and James Barrett. 3 pp. F°.

1775. **Continental Army**, Military stores for. [Cambridge, Massachusetts.] Tabular statement [submitted to Gen. George Washington]. Stores necessary; shot and shell required; list of stores that do not need replenishing. Endorsed by Robert H. Harrison: "Estimate or List of ordnance Stores necessary 1775." 1 p. F.°

[1775.] **New York City**, Committee of Safety? Memorandum to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. Tallow candles, blankets etc., taken from the King's stores are in a building at New York belonging to Isaac Sears; medicines from the same source are in barracks near Liberty Pole; in John Gilbert's store are empty cartridges for 4

[1775.] **New York City,** Committee of Safety?—Continued.
and 24 pounders; blankets, lint etc. in lower barracks; above stores may be taken from New York by Washington's order to the Committee of Safety. Endorsed by Robert H. Harrison: "1775 Anonymous Paper Respects. Kings Stores in New York". 1 p. Q°.

[1775–76.] **Welch,** William and others. *Soldiers returned from the expedition against Quebec.* [Cambridge?] Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [Cambridge]. Petitioners are privates and non-commissioned officers in Capt. Thomas Williams's company, [Col. John Paterson's Massachusetts regiment,] and Capt. [Jonas] Hubbard's company, [Col. Jonathan Ward's Massachusetts regiment]; suffered losses in the cold season going up the river [Kennebec, on Col. Benedict Arnold's expedition against Quebec]; destitute of provisions; compelled to turn back; bore own expenses on return; no allowance for provision made them; pray that losses and damage be made good. Eleven signatures. 1 p. F°.
Names given in index.

1776. Jan. 1. **Cooke,** Nicholas. *Governor of Rhode Island.* Providence. Letter to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge. Measures pursued to procure blankets; [Maj.] Gen. [Charles] Lee's Long Island expedition, and other matters. L. S. 1 p. Q°.
Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 4, 535.

1776. Jan. 7. **Putnam,** [Rufus.] *Lt. col., 22d Continental infantry.* A description of the "Narra Gansett" bay, Rhode Island. Its boundaries, navigation, harbor and islands; resources and products; location of troops; [Maj.] Gen. [Charles] Lee is protecting barracks against musketry fire only. "To accompany the Map of the 7th of January 1776 Presented to His Excellency George Washington Esqr. by Lt. Collo. Putnam". 2 pp. F°.

1776. Jan. 30. **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* Cambridge. Return [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Powder received since July 1, 1775; tabulated statement of quantities received from William Hunt, Capt. [ ] Patterson, George Bayler and John Brown. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1776. Jan. 31. **Indians.** (a) Cognawaga Nation. The talk of sundry Sachems and Warriors with Gen. George Washington. Were sent by the five tribes of Canada Indians to inquire the cause of war with England; have made a treaty of peace with [Brig. Gen. Philip] Schuyler; are glad to secure Washington's endorsement; will aid Schuyler in defense of New England whenever called upon; wish "St. Luc Lacorpe" [another chief] sent from Canada.
(b) St. Johns Tribe. Talk of one [chief] with Gen. George Washington. Are glad to meet him [Washington] and the Cognawaga representatives; English have endeavored to induce them [St. Johns Tribe] to fight against New England; will not give them powder unless they do this; they [Indians] prefer to fight against England; "will come and help the New England people" next spring. 3 pp. F°.

1776. Feb. 1. **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* Cambridge. Receipt to Gen. [George] Washington for five King's arms, seven cartridge boxes, six bayonets, seven bayonet belts and 200 musket cartridges. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1776. Feb. 27. **Mifflin,** Thomas. *Col. and quartermaster-general, Continental army.* [Cambridge.] Return [to Gen. George Washington]. Intrenching tools in Cambridge and Roxbury fit for immediate use. Endorsed by Washington: "Tools pr Colo. Mifflin, 27th. Feby. 1776" 1 p. Q°.

1776. Mar. 2. **Rhoades,** Jacob. *Master of carpenters, Continental army.* Cambridge. Return [to Gen. George Washington]. Number of boats, oars and paddles; number and location of those fit for "servis"; conditions of various batteries. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1776. Mar. 2. **Greene,** Nathanael. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* [Cambridge.] Return [to Gen. George Washington]. Number of "spheers" in the brigade; on Prospect and Cobble Hills 346 "fitt" for service; 20 need repairing. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1776. Mar. 5. **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* Cambridge. Receipt to Col. Edward Mitchel "by the hands of Ebenr. Howard" for buying arms for Gen. [George] Washington. 25 fire-arms amounting to $270. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1776. Mar. 12. [**Gates,** Horatio.] *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* [Cambridge.] Report [to Gen. George Washington,] giving "rations to be allowed the undermentioned staff officers." A. D. Endorsed by Washington: "Rations as Servd. out to Offr." 1 p. F°.

1776. Mar. 14–19. **Sargent,** Winthrop. *Capt., col. Henry Knox's Continental artillery.* Gloucester [Massachusetts]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Wrote him on "Last Tusday" [March 12th]; has sails and most of "Rigen" [rigging] off the ship [*Stakesby*] with 50 casks of porter; Capt. [ ] Dosson ran in last night and set fire to her; our guns would not reach him; ship is burned to the water's edge; Capt. [James] Whatts [Watts] has lost all his venture. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

Letter of "Last Tusday" printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 196.

1776. Mar. 29. **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* Cambridge. Receipt to Dummer Jewett for arms purchased. Memorandum of $1000 advanced Jewett and method of expenditure. In R. H. Harrison's handwriting. On accompanying sheet is an acknowledgement of the receipt of 387\frac{9}{10}$ from Jewett. Endorsed by Washington: "Drumr. Dewet Acct Arms". 1 pp. Q°.

1776. Mar. 30. **Mitchell,** Edward. *Col. and colonial agent for the purchase of arms.* Watertown [Massachusetts]. Account with Gen. [George] Washington for fire arms purchased. $1000 "received of his Excellency". "To 65 Fire Arms purchased . . . . 698$\frac{2}{3}$ dollars"; "to Expense in purchasing . . . 16$\frac{1}{3}$"; "to ballance due to Genl. Washington 285 dollars" D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Colo. Mitchels acct. Arms" 2 pp. F°.

1776. Apr. 1. **Haynes,** Aaron, and others. *Officers, 6th Continental infantry.* Boston. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington. Are willing that Major [John Gizzard] Frazier [Frazer] should be appointed Major in the regiment. 17 Signatures. 1 p. F°.

Names are given in index. See: Whiteomb, Asa, List of officers 1776, April 1.

1776. Apr. 1. **McKnight,** Charles. *Surgeon, Continental army.* Putnam Hospital [near Boston]. Certificate of physical disability of Corporal Samuel Legro, of Col. [Daniel] Hitchcok's regiment.

Morgan, John. *Director general of Continental hospital.* Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington] for discharge of Corpl. Legro. 2 pp. scrap.

[1776.] [Apr 1.] **Whitcomb,** Asa. *Col., 6th Continental infantry.* [Boston.] List of officers of regiment that are desirous of having Major [John Gizzard] Fraizer [Frazer] appointed in the regiment. 16 names. Endorsed by Washington: "Concerning Mr. G. Frazer". 1 p. 8°.

Names are given in index. See: Haynes, Aaron, Letter to George Washington 1776, April 1.

1776. Apr. 2. **Read,** Joseph, and **Bailey,** John. *Colonels of 13th and 23d Continental infantry respectively.* Dedham [Massachusetts]. Letter to [Gen.] George Washington [Cambridge]. Notify him of selection of Rev. David Sandford of Medway [Massachusetts,] as chaplain of their regiments; confirmation of appointment desired; Bailey makes above request as [Rev. Isaac?] Mansfield [jr.] declined marching with his regiment. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Respicts ye Choice of a Chapln". 1 p. Q°.

1776. Apr. 3. **Reed,** Richard. Cambridge. A return of corn, oats, straw etc. A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of corn, oats, straw & coal." 1 p. F°.

1776. Apr. 4. **Davis,** Joshua. *Deputy barrack manager, Continental army.* [Cambridge.] Tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [Cambridge]. List "of all The Buldings bult for the Use of The Contenental Armey in Cambr Brooklin Roxbury Dorchestor &c. From Agt. 1775 To Apl. 1 1776". A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "A Return of the Barracks at Cambridge, Roxbury &c. 4th. April 1776" 2pp. F°.

1776. Apr. 4. **Davis,** Joshua. *Deputy barrack manager, Continental army.* [Cambridge.] Report [to Gen. George Washington, Cambridge]. Condition of barracks; though carefully nailed up as the soldiers leave, finds many barracks broken open; many poor families on Winter and Prospect Hills have moved into them. A. D. S. 1 p.

Attached to preeeding document.

1776. Apr. 14. **Frazer,** John Gizzard. *Major and asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* Boston. Return [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. Inventory of ordnance and ordnance stores found in Boston; tabular statement of quantities and where found. A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "A Return of Ordnance & Ordnance Stores found in Boston". 1 p. F°.

Enclosed in a letter of same date from Frazer to Washington. Letter printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 934.

1776. Apr. 23. **Continental Army,** Military stores. New York. Tabular return [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. Ordnance and ammunition "lately arrived from Cambridge . . . under care of Major [John] Crane". 1 p. Q°.

1776. Apr. 23–29. **Nicoll,** Isaac. *Col., commanding Highland forts.* Fort Montgomery [Hudson River, New York]. Apr. 23. Return [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. State of garrison at Fort Montgomery; tabular statement of officers absent, number of men, arms, etc.

Fort Constitution [Hudson River, New York]. Apr. 29. Return [to Washington]. State of garrison at Fort Constitution; tabular statement of officers absent, number of men, arms, etc. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force Amer. Arch., 4th. Ser. 5, 1202 (dates reversed).

1776. May 1. **New York,** [Colony.] Committee of Safety. [New York City.] Extracts from minutes. Return of eight companies recruited in the counties of Albany, Tryon and Charlotte for Col. [Cornelius D.] Wynkoop's regiment [4th New York]; names of eight companies placed in Col. [James] Clinton's regiment [2d New York]; names of captains, number of men and where posted. Signed: "Robt. Benson Secry." and addressed "To His Excellency General Washington" 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1076 (except signature). See also: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 5, 1127.

1776. May 5. **Clutterbuck,** Christian M. and others. *British naval officers.* [Providence, Rhode Island.] Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [New York]. Although prisoners of war, petitioners are confined in a criminal gaol; have no beds nor blankets; understand [Capt. E. H.] Stanhope's forfeiture of parole is cause of prisoners treatment; Commodore [Esek] Hopkins sent word that he would take them on the fleet as "common people" or confine them in gaol; hope their circumstances will be considered and this letter answered. Signed: "Chris. M. Clutterbuck, Wm. Marsh, John Wallace, Henry Stevenson" Endorsed by R. H. Harrison: "Prisoners at Providence May 5. Ansd.—13". 2 pp. Q°.

1776. May 10. **Varnum,** James Mitchell. *Col., 9th Continental infantry.* New York. Petition to Gen. [George] Washington [New York]. On March 21st Capt. John Lane sent from Cumberland county, Massachusetts, Sergt. Benjamin Thompson and fifteen regularly enlisted privates to join the [9th] regiment at Prospect Hill [Charlestown, Massachusetts]; regiment had left previous to their arrival; the sixteen were re-enlisted into Col. [Edmund] Finney's [Phinney] regiment; on Capt. Lane's arrival in Boston he applied to [Maj.] Gen. [Artemas] Ward to have the men redelivered; was advised by him to receive back the money he had advanced and was refused redress agreeable to general orders; Lieut. [Daniel] Merril, who re-enlisted the men had them burn first enlistment papers; prays that Capt. Lane be empowered to receive back the men and that such redress as His Excellency thinks proper be made. D. S. 1 p. F°.

This petition was enclosed by Washington in a letter to Ward dated May 13. "If the facts are as set forth he must be redressed" Letter printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 436.

1776. May 16. **Knox,** Henry. *Col. of artillery, Continental army.* New York. Return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Continental cannon in the colony of Massachusetts; number and condition of same. Contemporary copy. 1 p. 8°.

1776. May 16. **Knox,** Henry. *Col. of artillery, Continental army.* New York. Return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Cannon "which were prov'd in and about the City of New York"; number, sizes and etc; "4 remain to be prov'd". Contemporary copy. 1 p. Q°.

1776. May 17. **New York,** [Colony.] Dutchess County, Committee of Safety. "Beekmans Precinct" [near Poughkeepsie, New York]. Letter [to Col. Isaac Nicoll, commanding at Fort Constitution, New York]. "Agreeable to order of the General Committee" sends by Lieut. [Thomas?] Ley 32 guns, receipt desired; list of guns, their marks and appraisement; total value £54 5s. Signed: "Ebenezer Cary, Chairman" Copy [forwarded to Gen. George Washington and] endorsed by Moylan: "May 17, 1776". 2 pp. F°.

1776. May 23. **Barber,** Nathaniel jr. *Deputy commissary of artillery.* Boston. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Ordnance stores in Boston; "N. B. Stores that were taken from the enemy in the Hope are not included in this return". On verso is a list of "Empty Shells & Cannon Shott, at Boston Cambridge & Roxbury". A. D. S. 1 p. 62 x 13 inches.

1776. May 25. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Articles shipped on sloop *Mohawk,* Barnaby Roseboom, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler [Albany]. 2 pp. F°.

1776. May 31. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Eighteen casks of nails shipped in sloop *Fly,* Nicholas Merselis, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler [Albany]. 1 p. F°.

1776. June 4. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Oakum and junk shipped on board the sloop *Tryon,* Barent Van Alen, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler [Albany]. Signed: Barent Van Alen. 1 p. F°.

1776. June 5. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Articles shipped on sloop *Tryon,* Barent Van Alen, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler [Albany]. Signed: "Barent Van Alen." 1 p. F°.

1776. June 8. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Number and location of intrenching tools. 1 p. F°.

1776. June 10. **Knox**, Henry. *Col. of artillery, Continental army.* New York. Return [to Gen. George Washington New York]. Gives "disposition of the cannon, of ten companies of the Continental Regt. of Artillery and one Colonial company of [New York] Artillery commanded by Capt. [Alexander] Hamilton" in and about New York city. On verso is a letter from Knox [to Washington] in explanation of above return. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

Return and letter printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th Ser., 6, 920.

1776. June 12. **Nicolson**, John. "*late acting as Lieutenant-Colonel of the regiment under command of Col. James Clinton in the Northern department*". New York. Memorial to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Recounts his services and charges against him; requests an investigation. A. D. S. 2 pp. F°.

Nicolson claimed to be Col. of the 4th. New York regt. and is occasionally so referred to. Cornelius D. Wynkoop is more generally recognized as such. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 823.

1776. June 13. **McKnight**, Charles. *Surgeon, Continental army.* [New York City.] Certificate of physical disability of Jonathan Draper of Col. [William] Bond's regiment.

Morgan, John. *Director General, Continental Hospital.* Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington] for discharge of Jonathan Draper. 1 p. Q°. Endorsed: "Jonathan Draper Bonds regmt. discharged 13 June 1776."

1776. June 13. **McKnight**, Charles. *Surgeon, Continental army.* [New York City.] Certificate of illness of Samuel Thompson, of Col. [Samuel Holden] Parson's regiment.

Morgan, John. *Director General, Continental Hospital.* Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington] for discharge of Samuel Thompson. 1 p. Q°. Endorsed: "Saml. Thompson dischd. 15 June 76."

1776. June 13. **Sackett**, Samuel, and others. *Officers, 4th New York regiment.* New York. Letter to Gen. George Washington [New York], respecting disbandment of the regiment and their wish to remain in the service. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 840.

1776. June [13?] **Lamb**, Catherine. *Wife of major John Lamb, Continental artillery, northern department.* New York. Memorial to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Her husband a prisoner in Canada; prays that she may be allowed the equivalent of his rations. D. S. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 839.

[1776.] [June 16.] **Hughes**, Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York,] of sundry articles shipped in the sloop *Lydia*, Lewis Clark, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler, Albany, New York. Signed: "Lewis Clark". 1 p. F°.

1776. June 17. **Roorbach**, Garret. *Barrack-master for New York city.* New York. Memorial to [Gen.] George Washington [New York]. Asks for opportunity to reply to charges made against himself. D. S. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser., 6, 939.

1776. June 19. **Clinton,** James. *Col., 2d New York regiment.* Forts Constitution and Montgomery [New York]. A tabulated return to Gen. [George] Washington [New York]. Men and arms at Forts Constitution and Montgomery; number of men in companies commanded by Captains [James] Rosekrans, [John] Bellnap [Belknap], [Abraham] Swarthout [Swartwout], [William] Jackson, and [Increase] Childs. D. S. 2 pp. F°.

1776. June 25. **Foster,** Isaac. *Surgeon, Continental army.* New York. Letter to Dr. John Morgan [New York]. Jeremiah Metcalf, in Capt. [Jonas] Hubbard's company, Col. [Jonathan] Ward's regiment is a consumptive; cannot live long; has friends in Wrentham [Massachusetts,] who would be glad to take him; submits for consideration the propriety of his discharge. A. D. S. Approved: "John Morgan, Directr. Genl. of the Continl. Hospital" Forwarded [to Gen. George Washington] and endorsed: "dischd. 25 June 1776". 1 p. Q°.

1776. June 29. **Foster,** Isaac. *Surgeon, Continental army.* [New York.] Letter to [Dr.] John Morgan [New York]. John Hull of Capt. [John] Reese's company in Col. [Arthur?] Sinclair's [St. Clair's] regiment has been in hospital six weeks; swelling of right knee will not yield to any application; submits for consideration the propriety of his discharge. A. D. S. Approved: "John Morgan, Directr. Genl. of the Hospit." Forwarded [to Gen. George Washington] and endorsed: "discharged. 29 June 1776." 1 p. Q°.

1776. June 29. **Parsons,** Samuel Holden and others. *Officers and soldiers in 2d Brigade, Continental army.* New York. Address to [Gen.] George Washington [New York]. Express confidence in the righteousness of the cause and in the leadership of Washington. Ten signatures. Endorsed by Robt. H. Harrison: "Address from Genl. Spencers Brigade" 3 pp. F°.

Names given in index. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 4th. Ser. 6, 1135.

1776. June 29. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington. Articles shipped on the sloop *Liberty*, Henry Palmer, master, consigned to commander of Forts Montgomery and Constitution. Signed: "Israel Smith". "Henry $\overset{\text{his}}{\underset{\text{mark}}{\text{x}}}$ Palmer". 1 p. F°.

1776. July 4. **McKnight,** Charles. *Surgeon, Continental army.* [New York City.] Certificate to Dr. John Morgan of illness of [ ] Taylor, of Col. [John] Nixon's regiment, [Capt. Moses] McFarland's company.

Morgan, John. *Director-general, Continental hospital.* Recommendation to the commanding officer [Gen. George Washington] for discharge of Taylor. 1 p. Q°.

1776. July 8. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Goods shipped on the sloop *Genl. Wolfe*, Andrew Donne, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. Philip Schuyler, Albany. Signed: "Andrew Donne." 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1050.

[1776.] [July 9–14.] **Leaycraft,** Richard and others. New York. Memorial to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Pray for removal of tories from the city. 47 signatures. 2 pp. F°.

Names given in index. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 335.

[1776.] [July 9–14.] **Sears,** Isaac and others. New York. Memorial to Gen. George Washington [New York]. Pray for removal of tories from the city. 109 signatures. Endorsed: "The Memorial of Sundry Inhabitants of New York & Others &c. & a List of Disaffected Persons." 3 pp. F°.

Duplicate of preceding except signatures and endorsement. Names given in index. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 335.

1776. July 22. **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* New York. A tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. Ordnance stores at New York. D. S. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 586.

1776. Aug. 6. **D'Orillac,** Le Chevalier and others. [New York.] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. After parole granted by Washington, are surprised at the harsh treatment accorded them; instigators are unknown and unsought; justice demands that promises inducing them to come to America should be fulfilled; French nation now favors America; deprivation of petitioner's liberty will destroy this feeling; freedom customary to civilized nations should be granted them; opportunity should be given them to prove existing sentiment in New York false. Signed: Le Chevalier D'Orillac, vidal, farques. Endorsed by Robt. H. Harrison: "Letter from a French Gentleman in N. York Aug. 6th. 1776". 3 pp. F°.

In French.

1776. Aug. 6. **Drake,** Samuel and **Hardenburgh,** Johannes. *Col. and lt. col., respectively, New York militia.* Greenwich [New York]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, New York City]. Request suspension of order of yesterday and beg that the regiment be allowed to remain in its present quarters and not sent into the city. L. S. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 789.

[1776.] [Aug. 11.] **Greene,** Nathanael. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* Camp on Long Island. List of the principal tories [on Long Island]. Signed: Abrm. Skinner. 1 p. F°.

Enclosed in a letter of above date from Greene to Washington. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 899.

1776. Aug. 12. **Ritzema,** Rudolphus and **Weissenfel,** Frederick. *Col. and lt. col., respectively of 3d. New York regiment.* New York. Recommendation [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. Robert Provost is now Quartermaster of the regiment; "is a proper person for regimental paymaster." D. S. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 918.

1776. Aug. 12. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A return made to Gen. George Washington [New York]. By order of Stephen Moylan, Col. and Quartermaster General, gives return of articles delivered to Christopher Hart for conveyance to Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler, Albany. Signed: "Stephen Moylan, Q. M. G." 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 919.

1776. Aug. 12. **Drummond,** [James?] Lord. "Sloop Polly" [New York.] Letter to [Richard,] Lord Howe [New York Bay]. Encloses sketch of propositions [for peace]. Contemporary copy. 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in Drummond, James, Lord, Letter to George Washington 1776, Aug. 17. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1027.

1776. Aug. 12. **Drummond,** [James?] Lord. [New York.] "Sketch of Propositions communicated to Lord Howe on the 12th. August 1776." Contemporary copy. 3 pp. F°.

Enclosed in Drummond, James, Lord, Letter to George Washington 1776, Aug. 17. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1027.

1776. Aug. 15. **Howe,** [Richard, Lord.] *Rear admiral in command of British fleet in North America.* "Eagle," off Staten Island [New York]. Letter to [James?] Lord Drummond, returning sketch of propositions [for peace]. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. Q°.

Enclosed in Drummond, James, Lord, Letter to George Washington 1776, Aug. 17. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1027.

1776. Aug. 17. **Drummond,** [James?] Lord. [New York.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [New York,] respecting propositions for peace. Contemporary copy. 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1026. Sparks, Writings of Washington, 4, 528.

1776. Aug. 19. **Drummond,** [James?] Lord. "Sloop Polly" [New York.] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, New York]. Acknowledges receipt of letter of Aug. 17th; believed verbal message returned by [Tench] Tilghman would remove suspicions; motive for seeking [Richard,] Lord Howe's permission to land at New York; hope of an interview with your Excellency; prepared a letter to Col. [Stephen] Moylan which he read to Tilghman but did not deliver; wishes a personal interview to explain his actions as to his parole; encloses his letter to Col. Moylan, mentioned above, together with the Logbook [of the *Polly*]. A. D. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1776. Aug. 19. **Hughes,** Hugh. *Asst. quartermaster general, Continental army.* New York. A tabulated return to Gen. George Washington [New York]. By order of Col. Stephen Moylan, Quartermaster General, gives return of goods shipped in schooner *Union*, Philo Sanford, master, consigned to Maj. Gen. [Horatio] Gates, Albany. Signed: "Philo Sanford, Stephen Moylan Q. M. G." 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 1, 1066.

[1776.] [Aug.?] **Sargent,** Paul Dudley, and **Austin,** Jonathan Williams. *Col. and major respectively of 16th Continental infantry.* Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [New York]. James Perry was captain in the 28th Massachusetts regiment [reorganized as 16th Continental infantry] before new arrangement; left out under same; no personality in it; is an officer of merit; recommends him for any vacancy that may occur. Signed: "Paul Dudley Sargent, Jon. Williams Austin." Endorsed: "1776 Recommendation of Captn. Perry by Colo. Sargent & Major Williams. 1 p. F°.

[1776.] [Sept. 20–27.] **Continental Congress.** Committee on the State of the Army. [Philadelphia.] "Queries to be made at Head Quarters," by a Committee of the Continental Congress on "the state of the army" [Roger Sherman, Elbridge Gerry and Francis Lewis]. Twelve

[1776.] **Continental Congress**—Continued.
[Sept. 20–27.] questions respecting the state of the Army; first two answered; establishment and supplies. 2 pp. F°.

Answers in handwriting of Robert Hanson Harrison. Endorsement "Octr. 1776" on document refers to time of Committee's report to Congress.

See: Journals of Congress, Sept. 20 and Oct. 8, 1776. Ford, Writings of Washington, 4, 451 (note). Report of the Committee, [Oct. 3] is printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th Ser., 2, 1385 (note).

1776. [Sept.] **Cook,** Robert. *Captain, armed galley "Lady Washington."* [New York.] Pay roll. Tabular statement of amounts due officers on board his ship Sept. 1st; 12 names. Signed: "Robt. Cook, Captain" "Exd. for William Palfrey, P. M. G. John Laurance." Endorsed: (1) "September ye 29th. A. D. 1776. I have examined the within abstract and can find no exceptional error. pr. Benj. Tupper Lt. Col. Comdr." (2) "Pay roll for Lady Washington Galley"; (3) "Head Quarters, Harlem Heights" Order to William Palfrey to pay Cook 145$\frac{51}{72}$ dollars; "By his Excellency's Command"; dated October but unsigned. 2 pp. F°.

Names given in index.

[1776.] [Sept.] **Virginia,** [State.] Troops 3d regiment. [Harlem Heights, New York.] Memorial of 1st Lieutenants to General [George] Washington [Harlem,] upon method of appointment and promotion. 2 pp. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 2, 349.

1776. Oct. 28. **White Plains,** New York, Battle of. A tabulated return of the killed and wounded of Brig. Gen. Laslee's [Col. Alexander Leslie's] brigade; statement of regimental losses. Endorsed by Washington: "List of killed & wound'd in the 2d. Brigade of British Octr. 28th. 1776." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 2, 1270.

1776. Nov. 8. **Howe,** William. *Maj. gen. and commander in chief of the British forces in America.* "Head Quarters" [New York.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [White Plains,] respecting exchange of prisoners. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 676.

1776. [Nov. 10.] **Turner,** Philip. *Surgeon, Continental hospital.* Stamford [Connecticut]. List of invalid officers and soldiers recommended to Dr. John Morgan for discharge. 191 names. Approved and forwarded to Washington: "John Morgan Directr. Generl. of the Hospital ec." 3 pp. F°.

Printed: Force. Amer, Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 635.

1776. Nov. 21. **New York,** [State.] Committee of Safety. [Fishkill.] Arrangement of officers of four battalions to be raised in New York state. List of officers and assignments; 137 names. Signed: Robert Yates, Chairman. Contemporary copy. 2 pp. F°.

Enclosed in New York, Committee of Safety, Letter to George Washington 1776, Nov. 23. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 314.

1776. [Nov. 21–22.] **New York,** [State.] Committee of Safety. [Fishkill.] Report of Committee. Arrangement of officers for four battalions ordered raised in New York state; arrangement decided upon annexed to this report.

Minutes of the Committee, Nov. 21–22. Action on Report of the Committee. Arrangement submitted by Robert Yates, chairman, relating to the raising of a fifth state battalion. "Extract from the Minutes John McKesson, secry." 5 pp. F°.

Enclosed in New York, Committee of Safety, Letter to George Washington 1776, Nov. 23. Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 312–315.

1776. Nov. 23. **New York,** [State.] Committee of Safety. Fishkill. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Newark, New Jersey,] respecting raising and moving of troops. Signed: "By order of the Committee of Safety. Pierre Van Cortlandt, V. Presdt." 4 pp. F°.

See: New York, Committee of Safety, Report 1776, Nov. 21–22; and New York, Committee of Safety, Arrangement of Officers 1776, Nov. 21. Printed: Force Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 318.

1776. Nov. 29. **Lowry,** Stephen and **Wharton,** Carpenter. *Asst. deputy commissary generals, Continental army.* New Brunswick [New Jersey]. A tabulated return of provisions at New Brunswick. Signed: "for Lowry & Wharton, Stephen Lowry A. D. C. G." Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Provr. at New Brunswick 29th. Novr. 1776." 1 p. Q°.

1776. Nov. 30. **Trumbull,** Jonathan. *Governor of Connecticut.* Hartford [Connecticut]. Letter to Gen. George Washington [New Brunswick, New Jersey]. Promises the hearty support of Connecticut despite Continental reverses; states what has already been done. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch., 5th. Ser., 3, 937.

1776. Dec. 2. **Lowry,** Stephen. *Asst. deputy commissary general, Continental army.* Trenton, New Jersey. A tabulated statement of "An estimate of the Provisions at and Near Trenton, Also the Cattle on the East side River Delaware". D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Provns. at Trenton 2d. Decr. 1776." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser. 3, 1034.

1776. Dec. 6. **Trumbull,** Jonathan. *Governor of Connecticut.* Lebanon [Connecticut]. Letter to Gen. George Washington "at Head Quarters in the Jerseys" [Barclay's, Pennsylvania,] respecting military affairs in New York and New England. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th Ser., 3, 1103.

1776. Dec. 7. **Trumbull,** Jonathan. *Governor of Connecticut.* Lebanon [Connecticut]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Barclay's, Pennsylvania,] respecting military affairs. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser., 3, 1111.

1776. Dec. 20. **Brarly,** Joseph. *Capt., brig. gen. William Maxwell's New Jersey regiment.* [Camp above Trenton Falls, New Jersey.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Camp?] respecting charges for accoutrements. Signed: "Jos. Brarly, Capt. in behalf of the whole". Approved: "Wm. Maxwell, Brigdr. Genl." 1 p. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th Ser., 3, 1316.

1776. Dec. 29. **Hart,** Joseph. *Col., Berks county, Pennsylvania militia.* [Reading? Pennsylvania.] List of names of associators who refused to march to Philadelphia, sent to Gen. [George] Washington. Names by companies; 213 names. A. D. S. 3 pp. F°.

Printed: Force, Amer. Arch. 5th. Ser. 3, 1473.

[1776.] **Cheever,** Ezekiel. *Commissary of artillery.* [Cambridge.] Receipt to Gen. [George] Washington for 12 fire locks with bayonets, 12 cartridge boxes, 13 bayonet belts, 2 bayonets, 4 small cartridge boxes, 5 small bags and 2 tin cases of cartridges. A. D. S. 1 p. 8°.

[1776.] **Continental Army.** Munitions of war. [Cambridge.] A return [to Gen. George Washington] of the number of "spears" in entrenchments about Boston. "On Winter Hill 252"; "On Ploughed Hill 397"; [in Washington's handwriting:] "Prospect Hill 373." Endorsed by Washington: "A Return of Spiers on Prospect Hill". 1 p. Q°.

[1776.] **Hand,** Edward. *Col., 1st Continental infantry.* Return [to Gen. George Washington]. Officers of his [Pennsylvania] "battalion"; names of staff and field officers; 40 names. Endorsed by Washington: "Return Colo. Edwd. Hands Regiment." 1 p. F°.

Names given in index. Above return made out probably in March, 1776 and revised later, reaching Washington in June or July.

[1776.] **Massachusetts,** [Colony.] Boston. List of cannon at. Size, number and places where they are to be found. Endorsed by Washington: "Memm. of the Cann. at Boston". 1 p. Q°.

[1777.] [Jan?] **Mitchell,** William. *Deserter from 71st light infantry.* [Morristown? New Jersey.] Examination. States that British troops at Brunswick [New Jersey] are to proceed in six days to New York, then to embark for Boston or Philadelphia; heavy baggage sent forward; 10,000 "fachines" [fascines] have been made; Major Streney [Turner Straubenzée?] wounded at Bound Brook; [Maj.] Gen. [Francis] Grant's horse shot; gives location of various British regiments; flat boats at Brunswick have been forwarded to New York. 1 p. F°.

1777. Apr. 16. **Bisset,** James. *Prisoner from 71st infantry.* [Morristown? New Jersey.] Examination. 150 men in his [company?]; 80 fit for duty; abundance of salt provisions; forage is good; no movement of army contemplated; tents remain in New York. Note by examiner: "appears very ignorant of almost everything or pretends to be so" 1 p. F°.

1777. Apr. 16. **Driver,** Joseph. *Prisoner from 33d infantry.* [Morristown? New Jersey.] Examination. 59 privates in [company?]; in good condition; abundance of salt provisions; no fuel; good forage; 5000 wagons; [Maj. Gen. Sir Guy] Carleton and 28,000 foreigners to join the British before the campaign opens; Carleton's army at present is "60,000 men and 30,000 Indians"; [Maj. Gen. William] Howe's army consists of "50,00 fit for duty" Note by examiner: "most extravagant in all his accounts." 1 p. F°.

[1777.] [Apr.] **Greene,** Nathanael. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* [Morristown? New Jersey.] Plan of attack on Brunswick [New Jersey]. Feints to be made by [Brig.] Gen [William] Maxwell at Amboy and Bonum Town; movements at Piscataway and "the Landing" by [Maj.] Gen. [Adam] Steven [Stephen]; main attack to be on Brunswick in three divisions commanded by [Maj.] Gens. Greene, [Benja-

[1777.] [Apr.] **Greene,** Nathanael—Continued.
min] Lincoln with the Bound Brook division, and [Israel] Putnam with the Princeton division; three to attack at same time; redoubts to be avoided; boats at Newark and Elizabeth to be made ready as if to attack Staten Island; troops to move tomorrow morning and attack made the day after; number of cannon to go with each attacking party; 2000 men as a reserve corps would insure success; troops are young and need discipline; if repulsed can retire without serious loss into the country; is willing to lead a division; will not recommend this plan warmly if council of war decides against it. A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Plan of attack upon Brunswick Apl. 1777." 3 pp. F°.

1777. June 6. **Burn,** David. *Deserter from Browne's Rangers.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. 47 men in his company originally; 37 at present; of these, 10 are on Long Island; other companies are stronger; Welsh Fusileers are at Amboy; expect to start for Philadelphia in two weeks; reported in New York that French troops are coming to Canada; estimates [Col. Oliver] DeLancey's brigade at 900; French troops are to go to the West Indies also; Jacob Creamer [of Browne's corps] agrees with above; provisions are salt and bad. 1 p. F°.

1777. June 6. **Hansbury,** Frederick. *Deserter from 55th infantry.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. 30 privates in company; 22 fit for duty; other companies average the same; joined regiment with 300 recruits from Portsmouth in April; provisions abundant but bad; troops leave soon for Philadelphia by water; foreign troops much dissatisfied and eager to desert; expected to have served on garrison duty in England. 1 p. F°.

1777. June 7. **Willis,** Enoch. *Deserter from British army?* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. Left New York on 5th inst.; at least 50 vessels being prepared for horses; many others for men; some already loaded have dropped down the river; reenforcement of 20,000 Hessians; movement is for Philadelphia; citizens of New York pressed into service; ships to carry flatboats and pontoons. 1 p. F°.

1777. June 7 **Harrison,** Richard. *Deserter from 37th infantry.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. 42 men in his company; 20 fit for duty; is an average company; location of British troops; number of troops at Amboy, Bonum Town and other places; in all 6000 light infantry; are in fair health; on 5th [June] ordered to be ready for immediate embarkation; destination is New England or South Carolina; number and location of guards. 2 pp. F°.

1777. June 7. **English,** Robert. *Deserter from 17th light dragoons.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. Recruits have just arrived from England; 265 wagons have lately come to Amboy; 3000 [troops] ordered to Spangtown [Spanktown, N. J.]; troops ordered to be ready to embark; ships have been fitted up for horses; heavy baggage has gone; is "talk of pushing to Philadelphia." 1 p. F°.

1777. June 7. **Lowen,** John. *Deserter from Hessian yägers.* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. Four battalions of Hessians at Brunswick; "hears that they intended to move in eight days by water"; "heard there are some recruits come in." 1 p. F°.

1777. [June 8?] **Bowman,** Thomas. *Deserter from British army?* [Middlebrook, New Jersey.] Examination. Left Bristol [England] March 15th; 5000 troops are coming to America; no more foreigners; 50 light horse landed [at New York] Tuesday [June 3d]; 5 regiments embarked Thursday [5th]; a vessel is being prepared for artillery; [British] intend putting [Maj.] Gen. [Charles] Lee on board ship; many transports being prepared; two regiments to be left at New York; four American deserters said that Washington had but 5000 troops; "Col. [ ] shook his head and put them all to prison"; [Abel?] Hatfield, of Elizabeth, says [Maj.] Gen. [William] Howe is at Amboy; "that they intend to move today or tomorrow." 1 p. F°.

1777. Aug. 5. **Rocatelle,** Floberque de la. *Late engineer in chief, chevalier of the Royal Military Order of St. Louis.* Toul [France]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Schuylkill Falls, Pennsylvania]. Interest in America prompts him to send accompanying memorial; it will show how to avoid multiplicity of army officers; bad condition of Army of France because of this fault; illustrations given; advises that foreigners be kept distinct from American service; America should provide for the training of her own officers; his own qualifications as instructor of artillery service; experience; ability of men whom he has trained; if desired he will send to America others of same grade; communications may be sent to [Benjamin] Franklin or to address given. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

In French. See: Rocatelle, Floberque de la, Memorial to George Washington 1777, Aug. 5.

1777. Aug. 5. [**Rocatelle,** Floberque de la.] *Late engineer in chief, chevalier of the Royal Military Order of St. Louis.* [Toul, France.] Memorial to Gen. [George] Washington [Schuylkill Falls, Pennsylvania]. Evils of an excessive number of officers in the organization of an army; French army an illustration; plan for organizing the department of artillery and engineering; (1) regiment of experts in these branches to be formed; of this regiment one corps to be a bureau of construction and repair; (2) the other to consist of experts in offensive operations; (3) such an organization essential to give military instruction in peace and efficient leadership in war; (4) it should be able to furnish detachments, to plan routes of march, make maps, repair forts, etc., in any campaign; (5) importance of such work in America; (6) only such few foreigners as are necessary to inaugurate the movement should be allowed in this branch of the service; (7) a school for such instruction should be opened; Congress to select young men 16 or 18 years old for admittance; outline of course; (8) to decrease expense only half of regiment need serve each year; (9) all should have experimental knowledge of conditions in each state ["province"]; (10) note to be kept of work done by each man under direction of supervising board; (11) necessity of fortifications and of familiarity with local conditions; necessity of having well trained men; plan given will secure both, simply and cheaply. A. D. 6 pp. F°.

In French. Enclosed in Rocatelle, Floberque de la, Letter to George Washington 1777, Aug. 5.

1777. Nov. 2. **Howe,** Robert. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* "Charles Town, So. Carolina." Letter [to Gen. George Washington, White Marsh, Pennsylvania]. Long intended writing but was loth to trouble him; neither zeal nor effort for America, though exerted to detriment of [Howe's] fortune has kept him in the mind of Congress; has been superseded twice; asks pardon for expecting Washington's interposition for him; mortifications experienced at some of the promotions; has never thought of resigning while America's liberties were involved; being remote from the scene of action thought he had been overlooked and not intentionally neglected; younger officers have again been set over him; wrote to [John] Hancock on the subject; encloses copy of letter; believes no part of it has been communicated to Congress; doubts if it will be; promotion his least idea in entering the army, but did not expect inferiors in rank to be placed over him; begs Washington's aid to prevent a recurrence of this; wishes restoration of his rank; if unobtainable, then wishes Congress to place him in a rank "superior to that of a Brigadier" as such would be his only security against being superseded again; only wishes this if it is deserved; does not wish this letter to be mentioned. L. S. 4 pp. Q°.

1777. Nov. 3. **Howe,** Robert. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* "Charles Town, So. Carolina." Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [White Marsh, Pennsylvania]. Temper of Creek Indians from exertions of [George] Galphin and liberality of this state promises peace; fears British emissaries rousing them; employed spies to ascertain their fighting force; the different tribes combined can bring into the field 18,200 men; importance of their friendship; South Carolina and Georgia battalions much reduced; North Carolina and Virginia, states from which men could be drawn, refuse to permit their officers to recruit; recommendation of Congress would cause the removal of this restriction; begs Washington's influence in this direction. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

Printed in part: White, Historical Collections of Georgia, p. 247.

1777. Nov. 17. **Philadelphia.** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Whitemarsh, Pennsylvania]. Evacuation of Fort Mifflin has encouraged tories; patriots still hope for ultimate success; enemy have 6000 effective men; 4000 under [Maj. Gen. Charles, Earl] "Cornwallace" went to capture Red Bank last night; Hessians to be sent to New York in exchange for English troops; reenforcement of 4000 men from New York expected; scarcity and price of provisions increasing daily; [American] prisoners suffering greatly; American wounded are improving; city would fall if attacked promptly; arrival of [British] fleet will greatly increase city's defence. 2 pp. F°.

[1777.] Dec. [10?] **Sullivan,** John. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* White Marsh, Pennsylvania. Letter to Gen. George Washington [Whitemarsh]. Decision of officers as to order of march from White Marsh; position of regiments; time and order of march; route of baggage and artillery; composition and place of artificers, scouting and flanking parties; engineering party to repair bridges in advance;

[1777.] Dec. [10?] **Sullivan,** John—Continued.
manœuvres of different regiments described; manner and order of crossing the Schuylkill; disposition of "the Horse"; time of march. Signed: "Jno Sullivan in behalf of the whole". Endorsed by Washington: "Order of March from Whitemarsh, Dec. 1777". 4 pp. F°.

[1777.] [Dec. 11?] **Bland,** Theodorick. *Col., 1st Continental dragoons.* "Jonathan Robertsons Smiths shop near the Road which leads down to Bedwins ford". [Schuylkill river, above Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [on the march from White Marsh?]. Has detached Lt. Col. [Benjamin] Temple with small party from "Matsons" [ford] to Lancaster road; will join [Bland] at "Marian Meeting" [house]; Major [John] Jameson to fall in with right of enemy; is himself moving towards Marian and the ferries; has heard smart firing in direction of Buck tavern, same place where it began yesterday; enemy still on the ground; expects information soon concerning their number, reinforcement and destination; can consider it certain that a foraging party of about 9000 is encamped near Bucks; reports state it has gone to Philadelphia or Lancaster; neither report to be depended upon; Capt. [ ] Call reports main body of enemy gone toward Darby; small body of Hessians left at Bucks. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Colonel Bland". 3 pp. Q°

1777. Dec. 30. **Hopkinson,** Francis and **Wharton,** John. *Members of Continental navy board, middle district.* "Borden Town" [New Jersey]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Valley Forge]. Send a few fish for "your Excellency's Table"; experiment recommended has been tried; success is unknown; advanced to Col. [Asa?] Worthington $200; has no doubt that expenditure will be approved. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1777.] [Dec?] **Continental Army,** Cattle for. [White Marsh, Pennsylvania.] Return of cattle and sheep received from [Robert?] Morris and [Asa] Worthington. Number and apportionment to 15 [commissaries]. Endorsed: "Return of cattle taken on the Lines per Order of His Excellency Genl. Washington" 1 p. F°.

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1778. Jan. 3. **Knox,** Henry. *Brig. gen. of artillery, Continental army.* [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, Valley Forge]. Number of horses necessary for artillery for the campaign of 1778; for 106 field pieces, 424 horses; 53 ammunition wagons, 265 horses; 60 extra ammunition wagons, 360 horses; return includes any horses in possession of artillery at opening of campaign; excludes "what will be occasionally wanted for the Batteries Cannon". L. S. 1 p. Q°.

In handwriting of Maj. Samuel Shaw.

1778. Jan. 9. **Gist,** Nathaniel. *Col., additional Continental regiment of rangers.* [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] A tabulated return [to General George Washington, Valley Forge]. Condition of four companies of his regiment commanded by Captains [Samuel] Lapsley, John Gist, [Joseph] Smith, and [ ] Viven. A. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Colo. Nathanl. Gists return 9th. Jan. 1778." 1 p. F°.

1778. Jan. 10. **Pickering,** Timothy. *Adj. gen., Continental army.* [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] Return made [to Gen. George Washington, Valley Forge]. Number of tailors in 16 brigades of the Continental army; names of Brigadiers commanding: [Peter] Muhlenburg, [George] Weeden, [William] Woodford, [Charles] Scott, [William] Maxwell, [Thomas] Conway, [Enoch] Poor, [John] Glover, [Ebenezer] Learned, [Samuel?] Patterson and [James Mitchell] Varnum. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "A Return of Taylors 10 Jan. 1778" 1 p. Q°.

[1778?] [Feb?] **Continental Army,** Forage magazines for. [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] Reports [submitted to Gen. George Washington]. One large magazine is in southwest Connecticut; one near "Fishkills," New York; one near "Mendhem" [Mendham], New Jersey; one small magazine at "Easter" [Easton], Pennsylvania; one large one at Reading, Pennsylvania; one at Lancaster, Pennsylvania; one small one at French creek, "21 miles from Philadelphia". Endorsed by Washington: "Acct of magazines & where to be established". 1 p. 8°.

1778. Mar. 28. **Forman,** David. *Brig. gen., New Jersey militia.* "Camp Valley Forge" [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Valley Forge]. Recommends following officers of his regiment: Major William Harrison, Captains John Burrows, William Wikoff, Thomas Marsh Forman, John Coombes; 1st Lieutenants: Gilbert Imlay, William Holt; 2d Lieut. Robert Pemberton; Ensign William Schenck; "they will endeavor to deserve any notice yr. eccely. may honor them with"; Signed: "David Forman Late Col." A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

Forman's Additional Continental regiment had never been fully organized. It was at this time on the point of dissolution, by the incorporation of its members into various regiments of the New Jersey line.

1778. June 2. **Lee,** Charles. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* Valley Forge [Pennsylvania]. Proceedings of a court martial in the trial of Thomas Shanks as a spy. Court composed of Maj. Gen. Lee, Presdt.; Maj. Genls. [Benedict] Arnold, [William Alexander,] Lord Stirling, [Thomas] Mifflin, [Marie Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier, Marquis de] Lafayette, [Frederick William Augustus Henry Ferdinand, Baron von] Steuben; Brig. Genls. [Henry] Knox, [Enoch] Poor, [James Mitchell] Varnum, [John] Paterson, [Anthony] Wayne, [Peter] Muhlenberg, [Jedidiah] Huntington, [Louis Lebèque, Chevalier du] Portail; witness William Sutherland, British deserter, says prisoner had permission to pass British lines; witness Luke Cannon, Ensign, 15th Virginia regiment, says he found prisoner in a house near his picket; prisoner pretended to be a volunteer from York county; delivered him to Col. [Daniel] Morgan; prisoner says he went to Philadelphia [May 24th]; came from thence [May 30th] on pass from [Joseph] Galloway, promising to return with information; did not intend to return; intended only to visit his brother at League Island; object was to obtain clothing; court by vote of ten to four decide prisoner guilty; nine to five "that he is a proper subject for example"; eight to six that he should "suffer death by the cord". D. S. 3 pp. F°.

Enclosed in Lee, Charles, Opinion of board of officers 1778, June 2.

1778. June 2. **Lee**, Charles. *Maj. gen., Continental army.* [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] Opinion of the board of officers that examined Thomas Shanks [forwarded to Gen. George Washington, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania]. Board votes ten to four that Shanks is a spy; nine to five that he is a proper person for "punishment and example"; "eight of the nine are of the Opinion that he ought to suffer Death by the Cord" D. S. "Charles Lee President" 1 p. F°.

[1778.] [June 10.] **Wigglesworth,** Edward. *Col., 13th Massachusetts regiment.* [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Valley Forge]. As president of a board of inquiry convened by general orders of June 5th, has examined facts in case of Lt. Col. [de Maduit] Duplessis; presence of Col. [John] Green absolutely necessary; begs to defer report until Col. Green can be present. A. L. S. "Edwd. Wigglesworth Presidt" 1 p. F°.

1778. June 12. **Clark,** Thomas, and others. *Field officers of the North Carolina Brigade.* "Camp" [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Valley Forge]. The bearer, Abishai Thomas, desires a commission in company of sappers; served in their brigade May 1, 1777–June 10, 1778 as Deputy Quartermaster General; behaved "as became an officer and a gentleman"; consider him worthy of desired commission; L. S. T[homas] Clark, John Patton, Robert Mebane, Selby Harney, John B. Ashe, Hardy Murfree. 1 p. F°.

[1778.] June 18. **Clough,** Alexander. *Major, 3d Continental dragoons.* Germantown [Pennsylvania]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Valley Forge, Pennsylvania]. Encloses letter from [Robert?] Morris, received since [Clough's] last to Washington; has not complied with his reqnest; "what he mentions has been confirmed by" [many?]; encloses return of prisoners taken by Capt. [John] Heard; they have been delivered to Lt. [ ] Dover of Capt. [Allen] McLane's "detatchment"; could get no information from them. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1778. June 18. **Heard,** John. *Capt., 4th Continental dragoons.* [Valley Forge? Pennsylvania.] A return [to Gen. George Washington, Valley Forge,] of "prisoners and deserters" taken [in Philadelphia]. 27 prisoners, 26 named. 2 pp. F°.

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1778. Aug. 4. **Trumbull,** Jonathan. *Governor of Connecticut.* Lebanon [Connecticut]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [White Plains, New York]. Encloses resolution of Governor and Council of this State; urges payment of Brig. Gen. [Gurdon] Saltonstall by the United States. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "From His Excelln. Govr. Trumbull 4th. Augt. 1778." 1 p. Q°.

Printed: Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll. 5th. Ser., 10, 121.

1778. Aug. 6. **Jones,** John Paul. *Captain, United States navy.* Passy, France. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [White Plains, New York]. Has been induced to resign command of the ship *Ranger;* at request of French Minister of Marine intends to remain some time in Europe; begs [Washington] to accept the two epaulettes accompanying this letter; [Jonathan] Williams has kindly offered to forward them; will be glad to do him any service possible in France. Autograph Draft. 1 p. Q°. *Paul Jones Papers.*

1778. Sept. 5. **Scammell**, Alexander. *Adj. gen., Continental army.* [Fredericksburg, New York.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, White Plains, New York]. "Orderly Office" [Fredericksburg?]. Colors belonging to the several brigades; fifteen brigades and the number of colors possessed by each. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of Colours wanting 5th. Septemr. 1778". 1p. F°.

1778. Sept. 15. **McClelan**, John and others. *Officers of the Pennsylvania Line.* White Plains [New York]. Petition to Gen. George Washington [White Plains]. Have been injured by an "unprecedented & illegal mode of promoting officers"; "cannot do any duty until affair is settled"; officers were to rise regimentally; in late arrangements officers have been promoted and drafted "from the 4th. &c to the 2d., 6th., 9th., & 10th. &c., regiments"; such actions are illegal; transferred officers should be withdrawn; should wait until vacancies occur; if these promotions have been for merit, petitioners pray for court of inquiry to hear their claims. A. L. S. 41 signatures. 3 pp. F°.

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[1778.] Oct. 31. **Lesley**, Joseph. *Deserter from Lord William Schaw Cathcart's legion.* [Fredericksburg? New York.] Examination. Deserted on Wednesday [28th]; "600 foot & 150 horse this side the bridge" [North River]; [Lt. Col. Andreas] Emmerich's, Lord Cathcart's and [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's troops on other side; between bridge and Fort Washington "two or three regiments, numbers unknown"; two brigades of Hessians between Fort Washington and New York; no new barracks at bridge; forage is scarce.

Brett, George. *Deserter from 63d regiment.* "63d, 7th, & 26th at & near Fort Washington"; "Hessians on Harlem Plains"; number unknown; "baggage of 63d carried to New York" 1 p. F°.

[1778.] [Oct. 31?] **Trech**, ——. *Deserter from col. Carl Emil Kurt von Dunop's corps of yägers.* [Fredericksburg? New York.] Examination. Deserted on the 30th; Yägers are between second and third redoubts; Hessians between first and second; "Emerick's" [Lt. Col. Andreas Emmerich's] corps is between Fort Independence and third redoubt with Pennsylvania Rangers behind them; on the other side [of North River] the Hessians are supported by English; none but Hessians between Fort Washington and New York; nearly all Hessians are there; one regiment on the Harlem river; "three ships of twenty & upward & two small armed vessels" in North River; other vessels are nearer New York; Gen. "Kniphaussen" [Baron Wilhelm von Knyphausen] commands the Hessians. 2 pp. F°.

[1778?] [Oct. ?] [**Stirling**, William Alexander, Lord.] *Maj. gen., Continental army.* [Elizabethtown? New Jersey.] Plan of attack [on Egg Harbor, New Jersey]. Vessels required and place where same should be stationed; rendezvous of the detachments; general movements and manner of return outlined. A. D. Endorsed by Washington: "Lord Stirling's plan for disposing the Refugees of Egg harbour". 1 p. Q°.

1778. Nov. 8. **McNughton**, Peter. *Deserter from British army.* [Fredericksburg? New York.] Examination. Left New York Thursday [5th]; has seen 2d battalion, 71st regiment and 4th regiment embark since Tuesday [Nov. 3d].

1778. **McNughton**, Peter—Continued.

Nov. 8. **McNabb**, ——. [*Deserter from British Army.*] Examination. Was in New York Tuesday and Wednesday [Nov. 3d and 4th]; saw two battalions 71st regiment embark. 1 p. Q°.

1778. Nov. 25. **Harmany**, Jacob. *Deserter from Royal Highland Emigrants.* Examination. Left Halifax May 1st [1778]; 1000 troops there at the time; few fortifications completed but men were working industriously; description of proposed defences; Sideral Hill, Georges Island, and St. Johns River the main points. Note by examiner: "Martin Carstithers left Halifax at the same time and confirms the other's intelligence." 2 pp. F°.

1778. Dec. 7. **Z.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Middlebrook, New Jersey]. Since observing movements of [British] on Dec. 2d has forwarded intelligence four times; last evening [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton returned to New York and his troops encamped on Long Island; provisions are abundant except bread and English fleet is hourly expected with flour; the ship *Bedford* of [Vice Admiral John] Byron's fleet has been ordered to England; vessels at New York are to remain in New Town Creek during winter for fear of fire; large quantities of provisions are brought in frequently from Shrewsbury [New Jersey]; seven prizes brought in yesterday; is reported that [Maj.] Gen. [John] Vaughen [Vaughan] will soon go home. 2 pp. F°.

1778. Dec. 16. **Z.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Middlebrook, New Jersey]. Fleet of 30 "Jamaica Men" about to sail under convoy of the ship *Emerald;* Col. William Bayard, Col. [John] Campbell, Major [ ] of the 16th Dragoons and "Parson" [ ] Stringer from Philadelphia sail for England on the ship *Amazon* tomorrow; no news of the fleets under Maj. Gen. [James] Grant, "Genl." [Col. John] Campbell and Lt. Col. [Sir Archibald] Campbell; first believed to have gone to the West Indies, second to Pensacola of which Grant is Governor, third to Georgia; 3000 troops on last named expedition; Gov. [William] Tryon is in New York; various regiments ordered to South and East Hampton [Long Island]; among others the Loyalist legion of [William Schaw, Lord] Cathcart; British Army short of bread; rice is used as a substitute; no probability of an evacuation of New York. 2 pp. F°.

1778. Dec. 19. **Z.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Middlebrook, New Jersey]. James Willing and two British officers, deserted from Pensacola, captured on their way to Philadelphia; escaped in New York; Willing, a connection of Lawrence Kortwright, is recaptured; will be held [as hostage] for "Dr. called Col. [John] Connelly" [Connolly]; British officers mentioned are yet uncaptured; Jamaica fleet not yet gone; will consist of 40 or 50 sail; some of them armed. 1 p. F°.

1778. Dec. 26. **McPherson**, William?. *Lt., 16th infantry, British army.* [Middle Brook?] New Jersey. Examination. Number and names of British regiments in New York; Irish Volunteers are commanded by [Lt. Col. Francis,] Lord Rawdon. Endorsed by Washington: "from Lt. McPherson." 1 p. F°.

Fragment.

[1778.] [**Balme,** Mottin de la.] *Col. and inspector-general of cavalry.* [Camp?] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Middlebrook, N. J.]. Explains the duties of Inspector-General of cavalry; should care for accoutrements and discipline of troops; intention is to perfect the light horse in those exercises of which the present war demands a knowledge; purpose in coming to America was to aid the cause. A. D. 1 p. F°.

1779. Jan. 9. **Continental Congress.** Resolve. "In Congress" [Philadelphia.] In regard to raising an additional battalion of 600 men. D. S. "Chas. Thomson, Secry." 2 pp. F°.

Printed: Journals of Congress, Jan. 9, 1779.

[1779.] [April?] **New York,** [State.] Troops, Officers. Return [to Gen. George Washington, Middlebrook, N. J.]. "General Arrangement of the Officers in the New York Line from the Colonels to the Captains inclusive"; five regiments included in the summary; rank and date of commissions given; of four Colonels, five Lt. Cols., five Majors, thirty-two Captains and eight Lieuts. [names of Lieuts. afterward crossed out]; marginal notes by Robt. H. Harrison? giving changes in rank of certain officers during 1779–80. 2 pp. F°.

1779. May 16. **Copp,** John. *Capt., 1st New York regiment.* Fort Stanwix [New York]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Middlebrook, New Jersey]. Acted in Continental service as subaltern until April 16, 1776; appointed a Captain of Col. John Nicholson's regiment in Canada; transferred shortly by Provincial Congress to Col. Goose Van Schaick's regiment; senior in rank to Capt. [Benjamin] Hicks and [John H.] Wendell; in late arrangement they rank him; asks that this be rectified. A. L. S. Endorsed by Robt. H. Harrison with memorandum of reply from Col. Van Schaick: Hicks and Wendell held commissions in the Continental service of earlier date than Copp's. 2 pp. Q°.

1779. May 26. **Continental Congress,** Marine Committee. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. George Washington [Middlebrook, New Jersey]. Has considered his letters of May 17th and 25th; regrets that American frigates are not available for the purpose mentioned [protection of Convention troops]; location of various vessels; danger of being overpowered by British ships; gives assurances of aid whenever possible. "S. Adams Chr." *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

1779. [May–June?] [**Cox,** James?] *Col., New Jersey militia.* and **Patterson,** Samuel. *Col., Delaware detachment of flying camp and brig. gen., Delaware militia.* Answers to nineteen questions propounded by Gen. George Washington. Information sought in "order that every useful and necessary knowledge may be obtained . in case circumstances will admit . . an expedition against the hostile tribes of the six nations". The Cayuga, Oswego and Shenango branches lead into the principal Indian settlements; from mouth of Cayuga to Shamung [Chemung] is 18 miles; mentions the different tribes that have settlements from thereon up; batteaux can go from Esthertown to Chenango from breaking up of the Susquehannah to June 1st.; boats should be larger than those used on the Mohawk river; artillery must go by water from Esthertown to Chenango;

1779. **Cox,** James?—Continued.
[May–June?] navigation is best between March 1st, and middle of May; proper places for magazines are Sunbury, "Wioming," Wialusing and Tioga; north-east branch of the Susquehannah is navigable for 2 or 3 ton boats to Ononquage; distance from Augusta to Chenango is 195 miles; river has been navigated by canoes and boats for years, but batteaumen are scarce; navigation above Easton is bad, in some places between the upper Minisink and Cuscheton Falls, but navigable up to Cook house which is 12 miles by the old Indian path from Ononquage; from Easton to mouth of the Mohocomac is 70 miles by land and 75 by water; road and navigation are both safe and good; distance from Popaxtunk branch to Mohocomac is 65 miles by either land or water; road is fair but very difficult in some places; from Mohawk branch at Cook house to Ononquage is 12 miles, with a good pack-horse road; country is rough and woody; from Cook house to Ononquage direction is nearly north; Col. [Robert Lettis] Hooper [jr.], supposes it to be 100 miles from New Windsor to Mohocomac; road is pretty good; there is no wagon road from Kingston to Popaxton branch; does not know the distance; from Easton to Ponno-gap is 67 miles; there is only a foot path for packhorses; country has been depopulated by the savages from Mohocomac on; from Augusta for 20 miles it is thinly settled; grass is plentiful after May 1st; nearest way from Augusta to the Allegheny is up the west branch of the Susquehannah and across to Kittaning; the best way is up the Juniata to canoe place and thence across. A. D. 4 pp. F°.

Questions and answers are arranged in parallel columns.

1779. **[Hand,** Edward.] *Brig. gen. Continental army.* Answers to nineteen questions propounded by Gen. George Washington. Information
[May–June?] sought in "order that every useful and necessary knowledge may be obtained in case circumstances will admit an expedition against the hostile Tribes of the six nations . " Tioga branch of the Susquehannah leads into the settlements of the Six Nations; gives distances of various settlements from mouth of this branch; does not know names of the tribes inhabiting same; the Tioga navigable to Chemung; navigation best in April and May; forage can be had by May 1st.; magazines of stores should be at Fort Augusta and mouth of the Mohocomac; Susquehannah is navigable from Fort Augusta to Lake Otsago; distance from Fort Augusta to mouth of the Tioga is 160 miles; are but few boatmen on the river above Augusta; the Delaware is navigable for 66 miles above Easton for batteaux and 148 for canoes; does not know distance from Easton to mouth of Mohocomac by water; by land it is 66 miles; road is generally good; the river is very rapid in many places; distance from Mohocomac to the Popaxtunk branch about equal by land or water; road is rough and current of stream very rapid for 23 miles; distance from Coocoose to Ononquage is 12 miles and there is a pretty good wagon road; "Onaquage" is 60 miles by land from [mouth of the Tioga]; distance from New Windsor to mouth of Mohocomac is 40 miles and 12 of these very bad; this place known variously as the mouth of the Mohocomac, the Neversink and the York Line; distance from hence

1779. **Hand,** Edward—Continued.
[May–June?] to Kingston is about 60 miles; to go to Popaxtunk by way of Pakitacking cuts off 25 to 30 miles; distance from Easton to Wyoming is about 70 miles; road is bad and country mountainous and swampy; country above Easton on the Delaware and Fort Augusta on the Susquehannah is sparsely settled; small quantity of forage can be obtained at Wyoming; cannot satisfactorily answer concerning distances and topography of country in vicinity of Allegheny branch and Kittaning; Captains James and William Wilson have both traversed this region; John Hart also is well acquainted with it; John Lord states that the Indians came in loaded canoes down to middle fork of Tioga from the dividing ridge between Tioga and Genesio; country will admit of artillery going by land from Minisink to Tioga; horses and cattle can be supported on the Delaware by middle of May; thinks this is also true of the Susquehannah. A. D. 7 pp. F°.

Questions and answers are given in parallel columns.

1779. [**Stewart,** Charles.] *Col. and commissary general of issues.* Answers to sixteen questions [propounded by Gen. George Washington. Information sought in order to obtain useful and necessary knowledge to carry on an expedition against the Six Nations]. The Indians have come through the Seneca country on the Cayuga branch; has heard of a strong party at forks of the Cayuga and East Branch; does not know the distance from mouth of the Cayuga to Indian settlement; gives names of tribes of Indians inhabiting these regions; has heard that navigation of west branch "is very gentle"; for further explanation refers to answer of Governor [Joseph] Reed; batteaux and whale boats have been used in navigating this branch; best mode of transporting artillery is by water; river is highest from April to June; grass is plenty from the disappearance of snow; magazines should be at Sunbury and Wieming [Wyoming]; East branch is navigable for batteaux and canoes; distance from Sunbury to Cayuga is 160 miles; boats called "Durham boats" were used on the river; in 1768 went from the Delaware along a pack-horse path; has heard that carts have been used over a road made by New Englanders; the Delaware is navigable as far as Cook house, 13 miles from "Ononoughuage"; distance from Easton to mouth of Mohocomac is about 75 miles, either by land or water; road is pretty good and the navigation after passing falls at Hoope's Mill is good; distance between Mohocomac and Popaxtunk is about 60 miles; road is bad but believes navigation to be good; distance from Popaxtunk to "Ononoughguages" on the Susquehannah is about 25 miles; country hilly; has forgotten the distance from Ononoughguages to the settlement of the Six Nations; believes it is 70 or 80 miles; is unacquainted with the country between New Windsor and the mouth of the Mohocomac; believes there is a road open from Cusheton to North River but thinks the road from Mockhackamac [Mohocomac] is much the best; cannot answer as to distance from Kingston to mouth of Popaxtunk with any degree of certainty; Governor [Joseph] Reed can give account of the navigation and roads to the Allegheny; if [William] Scull "was here"
[May–June?]

1779. [May–June?] **Stewart,** Charles—Continued.
could furnish field notes of East branch of Delaware as far as he measured it. A. D. 3 pp. F°.

Questions not given. Further material relative to this expedition will be found in the first division of this calendar. See: Washington, George, Sixteen questions 1779, May–June. Washington, George, A summary of intelligence 1779, May–June.

1779. June 13. **Scudder,** William. *Lieut., 1st New York regiment.* Albany, [New York]. Letter to [Gen.] George Washington [Smith's Clove, New York]. Wrote [Brig.] Gen. [James] Clinton from Fort Schuyler a few days after new arrangement of Col. [Goose] Van Schaick's regiment of his being superseded by Lt. Abraham Hardenbergh; letter was intercepted; was appointed Ensign in 1776 and recruited 64 men; Hardenberg was appointed afterwards to fill a vacancy; ranks him in state roll; cannot serve if he is to be superseded; was with Major [Benjamin] Ledyard during previous summer. A. L. S. with note by Robert H. Harrison: "In Van Schiack's Arrangement—Scudder is before Hardenberg". 1 p. F°.

1779. June 14. **Clinton,** James. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Albany [New York]. Certificate [to Gen. George Washington, Smith's Clove, N. Y.]. Certifies that Capt. John Graham, 1st New York regiment, is oldest Capt. in the New York line; is entitled to a "majority" by resignation of Major [Benjamin] Ledyard; was appointed Major in brigade orders at Albany, June 4th on Col. [Goose] Van Schaick taking command during [Clinton's] absence. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1779. July 1. **Eyre,** Benjamin G. *Major and supt., boat department.* "Return [to Gen. George Washington, New Windsor, New York], of the Schooners, Boats &c in the Boat-department." Tabular statement of location and number of boats available as transports. "For Head Quarters" A. D. S. 2 pp. F°.

1779. Aug. 28. **Scammell,** Alexander. *Adj. gen., Continental army.* [White Plains, New York.] State of the Continental troops under command of Gen. [George] Washington. Tabular statement of the condition of the entire army; brigades commanded by Brig. Genls. [William] Woodford, [Peter] Muhlenberg, [William] Smallwood, [Nathaniel] Gist, [William] Irvine, [John] Paterson, [Samuel Holden] Parsons, [Jedidiah] Huntington, [John] Nixon, [John] Glover, the 2d Pennsylvania, 4th Massachusetts and North Carolina brigades. D. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Weekly return 28th Aug. —79." 1 p. 17 x 22½ inches.

1779. Sept. 28. **Continental Congress,** Marine Committee. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [West Point, New York]. Encloses copy of a letter from the Committee to the Commissioners of the Navy Board at Boston. *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

Copy of letter mentioned is in the Letter Book.

1779. Oct. 18. **Scammel,** Alexander. *Adj. gen., Continental army.* [West Point, New York.] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Fredericksburg, N. Y.]. Has inquired as directed into cause of deficiency of arms for brigades; in 1st Pennsylvania and 2d Maryland it is owing to deserters and recruits; conductors of the Maryland line have been left at New Windsor [New York]; has received no answers from right and left divisions in reply to letters sent. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1779. Oct. 19. **Bayley,** Jacob. *Brig. gen., New York militia.* Newbury [Vermont]. Instructions to Lieut. John Goulet. Is to take two men and proceed to Canada; capture some British soldier; deliver him to [Bayley] or the commanding officer at Upper Coos [New Hampshire]; is to kill no person except in self defence and to avoid disturbing the people. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

Enclosed in Goulet, Jean, Petition to George Washington, 1781, Jan.

1779. Nov. 10. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [West Point, New York]. Circumstances render it necessary that the three frigates ordered to South Carolina should sail at once. *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

[1779.] [Dec.] **New York,** British Forces at. [New York.] Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Men-of-war in harbor: *Russell,* Capt. [Sir Francis Samuel] Drake; *Robust* [Capt. Phillips Cosby]; *Raisonable* [Capt. Lord Hervey]; *Defyance,* Capt. [John?] Jacobs; *Europa,* [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot; *Renown* [Capt. J. Henry?]; *Roebuck,* [Capt.] Sir Andrew Hammond; *Romulus,* Capt. [G.] Gayton; *Rainbow* [Capt. H. Trollope?]; *Thames* [Capt.]; *Perseus,* Capt. [George Keith] Elphingston; ships are to convoy expedition of 8000 men under Sir Henry [Clinton] and [Charles, Earl] Cornwallis; 5000 go to Virginia; 3000 to "Charlestown" [South Carolina]; if Charleston falls Sir Henry [Clinton] will go "home"; troops are the best in the service; regiments are the 7th., 23d., 33d., 42d., 54th., 57th., Queens Rangers [Loyalists], the dismounted legion, Hessian Grenadiers, "some British grenadiers & light infantry"; "Capt. [Major Patrick] Furguson" with 300 men from "New Cores to act as flanking companies"; "Gen. [Brig. Gen. Cortlandt] Skinner I believe will command on Staten Island". 2 pp. F°.

1780. Feb. 15. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Morristown, New Jersey]. Recent complaints made by marine prisoners is the reason for requesting his interference; have written Col. [John] Beatty concerning them; wish to do everything in their power to alleviate the condition of these prisoners; requests him to issue orders to the Commissary General [Beatty] for this purpose. *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

1780. Mar. 23. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Morristown, New Jersey]. Has received his letter of [March] 15th. concerning the proposed naval expedition under Maj. Gen. [Benedict] Arnold; had doubted the possibility of supplying an adequate naval force; troops also being unavailable the whole matter has been dropped. "Francis Lewis Chr." *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

Letter "of the 15th." printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington. 6, 484.

1780. May 6. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Morristown, New Jersey]. By direction of Congress sends him two pipes of best "Maderia Wine"; encloses wagon master's receipt for same; asks if the two pipes sent him at Egg Harbor have been received. "F. Lewis Chairman" *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

1780. Jan. 4. **DeWitt,** Thomas. *Capt., 3d New York regiment.* "Camp near Morristown" [New Jersey.] Letter to [Gen.] George Washington [Morristown]. Entered the service early in 1775; has been superseded in rank as enclosed [paper] will show; has been referred by the Board of War [Richard Peters, Maj. Gen. William Heath? and Col. William Grayson?] to [Washington]; if he cannot be granted justice, begs for "dismission" from the army. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. [Jan.] **Flower,** Benjamin. *Col., artillery and artificers regiment.* [Morristown? New Jersey.] A tabular return to Gen. [George] Washington [Morristown]. Statement from muster rolls for January 1780 of that portion of the regiment enlisted in and belonging to Pennsylvania; gives dates at which terms of service of men in regiment expire; particular returns given for Capt. [Isaac] Coren's company of artillery and Capt. Nichol's [Capt. Noah Nicholas's] formerly Capt. [Jesse] Roe's company of artillery and artificers. D. S. 1 p. 32½ x 5¾ inches.

1780. Feb. 22. **Flower,** Benjamin. *Col., artillery and artificers regiment.* [Philadelphia?] Return to Gen. [George] Washington [Morristown, New Jersey]. Tabular statement by companies of that portion of the regiment raised in Pennsylvania; officers given: Captains I[saac] Coren, Nichol [Noah Nicholas], J[esse] Roe, N[athaniel] Irish, T[homas] Whiley [Wylie], J[ohn] Jordan, T[heophilus] Parke, Lt. H[enry] Greer; six of Roe's company have been doing department duty; Richard Thornhill by consent of [Thomas] McKean, Chief Justice [of Pennsylvania] has left his employment. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Feb. 27. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. Returned from New York last night; met several "good friends" there; late news sent by Col. [Nathaniel?] Ramsey; December mail came on Saturday [Dec. 26th]; continuance of war indicated; spirits of enemy are high; the ship *Loyalist* is about to sail in search of [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton; ship just in from Jamaica; large fleet with dry goods etc. "dayly" expected from "Urope"; also merchantmen from other quarters; [American] prisoners have suffered much; hospital ship burned Thursday [24th]; from 30 to 50 have perished; location of British troops on Long Island; "725" [Caleb Brewster] has given him two sails and twenty "gives" [blocks and tackle?]; they will be forwarded. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

1780. [Mar. 3.] **[Culper,** Samuel jr.] *Secret agent in New York.* New York. [Letter to John Bolton.] This letter was written with invisible ink and is illegible; over it is written a poem of five verses, entitled "The Lady's Dress. A Receipt"; poem signed: "S. B." 2 pp. F°.

[1780.] [Mar. 10.] **Culper,** Samuel jr. *Secret agent in New York.* New York. Letter to John Bolton. This letter was originally written with invisible ink and is now illegible. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1780. Mar. 11–13. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter [to John Bolton?]. Came to New York Dec. 26th; intended to have written before; explanations; does not understand why his report was not forwarded; care is necessary, for war will not

1780. Mar. 11–13. **Culper,** Samuel—Continued.

be over for a long time; no method of shortening route letters take; "Heathcout Muirson" [American spy] is in New York; appears loyal to America; wishes to see [Bolton]; danger threatens; desires him to come no farther than [Caleb Brewster?] tells him; has sent news by Col. [Nathaniel] Ramsey to [Gen. Washington]; no prospect of peace; only two [British] regiments are in New York; most of troops are guarding outposts; enemy has visited them [Americans in New York] several times; [Americans] are almost helpless from lack of forage, grain and beans; 300 deserters have come to New York during the winter; all for lack of money; 97 [American] prisoners taken at "Youngs House" [Feb. 3, 1780]; [Austin Roe] returned from [New York] last night with blanks [letters written with invisible ink] for [Gen. Washington]; encloses them with [New York] papers; papers say "Woodberry of Conn." burned the prison ship; nothing heard from Sir H[enry] Clinton; reported that debates [in Parliament] are fiercer; duels are being fought; Scotland ready to take vengeance on the Ministry; has some "saltpeter" he desires to sell for "hard money"; enemy have demanded 1000 cords of wood from "South Town" [Long Island]; all wood near by to be cut for them; fears 2000 men will be placed in [Setauket] and communication cut off; "C[aleb] Brewster must come on the 25 instant." A. L. S. 6 pp. Q°.

1780. Mar. 13. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to "721" [John Bolton]. Encloses blank from 723 [Samuel Culper jr.] with newspapers; English papers report that debates in Parliament are increasing in violence; position of Lord Littleton, [William Henry, Baron Lyttelton] and Lord Charles Gordon; expects copies of late English papers on 24th. A. L. S. "722" [Culper]. 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] Mar. 28. **Culper,** Samuel jr. *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John Bolton. This letter was written with invisible ink and is now illegible. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] [Mar.] **Scammel,** Alexander. *Col. and adj. gen., Continental army.* [New Windsor? New York.] A tabular return [to Gen. George Washington, New Winsor]. Re-enlisted men of 1st and 2d Maryland brigades; of brigades of [Brig. Gen. Peter] Muhlenberg and [Brig. Gen. Charles] Scott; names of regiments given, also number of men and amount of bounty. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Apr. 5. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* "Setacket" [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. High winds delayed meeting with "725" [Caleb Brewster]; little news through [Samuel Culper jr.] from New York; considers him blameworthy and neglectful; expedition is on foot to relieve [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton at Carolina; was to have gone the 3d; consisted of Volunteers of Ireland under Brig. Gen. [Francis, Lord] Rawdon, Queen's Rangers under [Lt.] Col. [John Graves] Simcoe, 42d regt. under [Brig.] Gen. [Thomas] Stirling, 2500–3000 troops in all; evacuation of New York probable; some say that troops are going to Virginia; dangerous going to New York because of refugees; he [Gen. Washington] should do something for the South. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

1780. Apr. 18. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* "Setacket" [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Encloses three blanks; goes [to New York] tomorrow; returns [23d]; will write fully; no information now. A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1780. Apr. 18. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* "Stacket" [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Encloses blank [from Samuel Culper jr.] just received; goes [to New York] tomorrow, returning [23d]; will write fully; wishes to see him; "An embarcation of two Regt is about taking Place said bound to Quebeck". A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Apr. 23. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* "Setacket" [Setauket, New York.] Letter [to John Bolton]. Neglect of Culper jr. mentioned; will attend meeting of "us three" [Culper, Culper jr. and Bolton] on May 1st; has just returned from New York; person from Canada has come to New York; reports are that Canadian expedition will soon leave if "your" [Washington's] movements do not prevent; troops for the south left heavy baggage behind; are to return after subjugating South Carolina; [Culper jr.] has learned that 20 [British] ships were lost at Jamaica; 20 [French] "Sail of the Line," 150 transports and 20,000 men left Brest, destination unknown; American forces said to consist of 6000 regulars, "4000 militia & other vagabonds," two or three "small frigits" also. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. [May 6.] [**Mersereau,** John.] *Secret agent near New York.* [Piscataway, New Jersey.] Information respecting Staten Island [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Gives location of redoubts, with number and weight of cannon and stations of different regiments. Note by Washington: "N. B. The Flag-staff-Works on the Bank—& Cherry redoubt are near together. No. 1, 2, & 3 are also near together at the watering place." Endorsed by Washington: "Intelligence from Mersereau recd. 6th. May 1780." A. D. 1 p. Q°.

1780. May 10. **Mersereau,** John. *Secret agent near New York.* "Piscatatua" [Piscataway, New Jersey.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington, Morristown, New Jersey. The ship *Russell* has gone out the [Sandy] Hook; rumor of French fleet has caused uneasiness among [the British]; hopes to hear something tomorrow night; will diligently comply with his request. Endorsed by Washington: "Mersereau 10th. May 1780" A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] May 17. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Disposition and number of [British] troops; location and armament of redoubts and condition of supplies; movement of troops etc. given. Endorsed by Washington: "Through Mersereau 17th. May 1780". A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1780.] [May 20.] [**Mersereau,** John.] *Secret agent near New York.* [Piscataway? New Jersey.] Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Frigate *Pearl* from Europe has brought despatches to [Lt. Gen.] Sir Henry Clinton of sailing of a [French] fleet from Brest; orders to prepare for their reception

[1780.] [**Mersereau,** John.]—Continued.
[May 20.] have been issued; gives details of construction of various breastworks now erecting; independent companies guard the city; the regulars are on the outposts; sloops and schooners loaded with stone have gone down to [Sandy] Hook; will be sunk in the channel on appearance of enemy; frigate *Galatea* is the principal ship in the harbor; on arrival of [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves, the British Navy here will be superior to the fleet now approaching; the *Russell* has gone on a cruise with impressed crew; fort at Brooklyn is being strengthened; suspicions of the French fleet coming here have caused despatches to Clinton to take Charleston, [South Carolina,] garrison it, and send rest of troops [to New York]; if storming fails he is to return with his whole force. Endorsed by Washington: "Through Mersereau 20th. May 1780." A. D. 2 pp. Q°.

[1780.] **New York,** British forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen.
[May 27.?] George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Eight or ten ships with three thousand men have left for Canada; 7000 men remain; 4000 fit for service; east channel is blocked; 30 ships ready to be sent there; block-house near Bulls ferry has two cannon and 300 men; ships have gone up North River to Tappen; flat bottom boats went to Staten Island Saturday [26th] on way to Brunswick [New Jersey]; expects to have important information on Wednesday next [May 31st]. Endorsed by Washington: "Through V–D. 26th. May 1780". 1 p. F°.

[1780.] [**Mersereau,** John.] *Secret agent near New York.* [New York.] Informa-
[May 27.] tion [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. About 27 vessels are to be sunk [in channel at Sandy Hook]; work on batteries is being rushed; pickets have been extended to Corlaer's Hook; reports that a chain of batteries from Bunker Hill to East River is to be erected; ill-success at Charleston has dampened spirits of [the British] politicians; reports are that Sir Henry [Clinton] will raise the siege and come [to New York]; mentions men-of-war and privateers from West Indies arriving with French, Spanish and American prizes; 37th and 44th and one Hessian regiment were prevented by some obstacle from sailing for Quebec last Saturday; 36 sail are at [Sandy] Hook; the ship *Blenheim* is to sail for England; Hook batteries are being strengthened; prisoners amount to 380; part have been removed from the Sugar House to North Church; 4 prison ships, the *Hunter*, *Falmouth*, *Jersey* and another are in North River; if [prisoners] are not removed before the heat of summer, great numbers must perish; is in a fair way to obtain a state of the [British] regiments here; is only too glad to render service by this information as long as personal hazard is not great; will do best that can be done in whatever post is assigned them. Endorsed by Washington: "Through Mersereau recd. 27th. May–1780". A. D. 2 pp. F°.

1780. **Gouvion,** [Jean Baptiste Obrey de.] *Lt. col., engineers, Continental*
May 30. *army.* Morristown [New Jersey]. "A return of the preparations to be made" [for operations against New York]. 700 sleepers needed for mortars; 3200 planks; 6000 fascines; 300,000

1780. May 30. **Gouvion,** [Jean Baptiste Obrey de.]—Continued.
picquets; 11,000 gabions; 10,000 spades; axes etc.; ⅓ of above is sufficient if work is begun at once. A. D. S. Endorsed by Robt. H. Harrison: "Colo. Gouvion's Estimate of Gabions etc. May 30, 1780" 1 p. F°.

1780. June 1. [**Amicus Reipublicae.**] *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Secret expedition into Jersey is forming; advises particular watchfulness in Bergen county; a person in Commissary Department, [Continental Army] has ordered £150,000 of counterfeit money to conceal his embezzlements; reports state that Sir Henry Clinton has stormed and taken Charleston; American loss given at 900; [Maj.] Gen. [Benjamin] Lincoln and his army of 6000 men are captured, as is Governor [John] Rutledge and five general officers; is made out as a great naval victory; [James] Rivington considers this the greatest feat since commencement of the rebellion; a merchant fleet will soon sail for Charleston; there will be no convoy to speak of as no men of war can be spared; gives names of men-of-war in harbor at present; 14 privateers sailed last week from this port; anxiety concerning French fleet has disappeared; reports are that 17 French ships of the line are in Brest channel; since surrender of Charleston, prices of English goods have risen; warns against Abraham Bogart; is a British informer; one of "our friends" has been sent to provost; fear of becoming detected prevents information becoming as efficient as it otherwise might. Endorsed by Washington: "Through Mersereau 1st. June 1780". A. L. 4 pp. Q°.

[1780.] [June 1?] **McCasky,** ——. [Springfield? New Jersey.] Information [given to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. Nineteen ships have left [New York] and are at [Sandy] Hook; two regiments and 606 men of [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's corps [Queen's Rangers] are aboard; refugees also; said to be going no farther; [Lt. Col. Francis,] Lord Rawdon is in New York and indisposed; not over 5000 troops in and around New York; foraging expeditions; troops on Long Island preparing for [Lt. Gen. Wilhelm Baron von] Knyphausen. 1 p. F°.

1780. June 2. **Continental Congress,** Committee of Co-operation. "Headquarters" [Morristown, New Jersey.] Tabular statement of militia and supplies requested from the States; apportionment of militia, beef, flour, rum etc. with directions regarding transportation of supplies and assembling of militia. "True copy A. C. Brahser Secy" Endorsed: "For General Washington" 2 pp. F°.

[1780.] [June 4?] **New York,** British Forces at. Secret Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Morristown, New Jersey]. 7000 British troops in the city; "the whole dran from the line"; 1500 "Melisha" will fight; no late news from Charleston [South Carolina]; Americans doubt that it has fallen; new [British] post established at Elizabethtown; purpose is to draw Americans that way, thus allowing reenforcements to slip into New York; no troops returned from Charleston; 10 vessels are in the harbor; 12 are sunk in the Narrows; 300 men wounded at Elizabeth [New Jersey] have returned; line of works from "Curles huck" [Corlaer's Hook] to North River is completed. 1 p. F°.

[1780.] [June 15.] **Dickson,** James. *Deserter from "The Guards"* [Springfield, New Jersey.] Examination. Complete brigade of Guards has arrived; 17th. dragoons, 22d., 37th., 57th. infantry, and [New] Jersey Volunteers [commanded by Lt. Col. Abraham Van] Buskirk; two battalions "Anspach"; position of troops and defenses; no militia or refugees present; three days provisions issued; projected bridge not yet begun. 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] [June 16.] **Lasick,** Ludwig. *British prisoner.* [Springfield, New Jersey.] Examination. Left Staten Island yesterday; was in same company as [ ] Innesly, [ ] Clausen and [ ] Hutchinson; knows nothing of intent to steal horses or enlist men [in New Jersey]; meant to return to New York in three or four weeks; a girl belonging to Abraham Veal fed them yesterday; Innesly was often "in and out" of their hiding place. 1 p. Q°.

1780. June 16. **Allen,** John. *Prisoner, 43d regiment, British army.* [Springfield, New Jersey.] Examination. Gives number of regiments in his brigade; "Gen" [Lt. Col. John?] Leland in command; privations of [British] Army; only officers have tents; no knapsacks; location of [English] troops; knows nothing of the foreigners; only 8–10 wagons in store; bridges are nearly completed.

Reeves, Richard. *Prisoner, 43d regiment.* [Springfield.] Examination. "Same account"

Anderson, Samuel. *Prisoner, 43d regiment.* [Springfield.] Examination. "Same account". 1 p. F°.

1780. June 20. **Scammell,** Alexander. *Col. and adj. gen., Continental army.* "Head Quarters near Short-hills" [near Springfield? New Jersey.] A tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington]. Killed, wounded, missing and deserted since 6th. inst. from the following brigades: 1st. and 2d. Pennsylvania; [Brig. Gen. Edward] Hand's; [Brig. Gen. William] Maxwell's; 1st. and 2d. Connecticut; [Brig. Gen. John] Stark's and the brigade of the [Commander-in-chief's] "Guards"; 50 wounded, 13 missing, 20 deserted. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. June 24. [**Amicus Reipublicae.**] *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, near Springfield, New Jersey]. On Friday [June 23d.] [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton reached Sandy Hook with 5000 men; has left 63d., 64th., and 71st. regiments at Charleston; by last account [Charles, Lord] Cornwallis, had penetrated to Camden, North Carolina; merchants are preparing to ship goods southward; Clinton's forces have gone up the North River with main body leaving Queen's Rangers and one Hessian Regiment only on [Staten Island]; West Point is said to be their object; are confident of success; advises caution in communicating; there are enemies among our friends; a whale boat on 4th. inst. furnished a fishing boat from New York with provisions and turned over some British prisoners captured at "Stoney Point"; will forward accurate account of state of Navy in a few days; names ships in harbor: *Russell, Europa, Renown, Iris,* and two frigates; consternation before the fleet appeared was great; 76th. Highland Volunteers was only regiment in town and citizens were paraded and armed; since receiving written message will send information by every opportunity; requests that mention be made in next note of points on which information is desired; requests that he sign all his letters C. D. A. L. 4 pp. Q°.

1780. June 28. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Ramapo, New Jersey]. No news since enemies' North River expedition; troops now in town are barely sufficient to police the city; the *Russell, Europa, Renown, Iris,* and two or three frigates are the principal British ships now in harbor; hopes he will secure some of the merchant vessels that sail for Charleston in a very few days; disturbances in Ireland over trade laws; cry for peace in Parliament is still heard; rumors that the British have lost their supremacy in the West Indies; 18 Spanish ships of the line and 10,000 troops are coming to cooperate with the French in those islands; a fleet is fitting out in England under Rear Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves, to pursue "Mons. de Ternay" [Charles Louis d'Arsae, Chevalier de Ternay] now at Brest [France] with 8 sail of the line and 6000 troops, intended for America; false rumors concerning Holland; defeat in Carolina [Charleston] has disheartened the people; several have refused to act [as informers].

June 29–30. Something has happened; rumor that Holland and Russia have entered into an offensive and defensive treaty; the 27 vessels to be sunk in the channel 1½ miles outside of Sandy Hook are held in readiness; carpenters are busy on the King's ships; some big enterprise is underway; 500 wagons have crossed from Long Island to New York; troops now at Staten Island are 82d. Hessian regiment, [Lt. Col. Abraham Van] Buskirk's and [Lt. Col. Thomas?] Barton's provincial corps and [Major Charles] Stewart's cavalry; stone barn at Decker's ferry fortified for cannon; 60 men from [Van] Buskirk's regiment to hold it as an advance post; all quiet; channel of communication once settled will report weekly; begs caution lest discovery follow. A. L. S. 5 pp. Q°.

[1780.] [June 30.] [**Amicus Reipublicae.**] *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Ramapo, New Jersey]. Since [foregoing] dispatches all boats that were to have been sunk, with all men-of-war except one, have been drawn near the city and anchored near the Narrows; the [British] Army is at Westchester [New York,] and is to move to Tarrytown. A. L. 1 p. 12°.

1780. July 3. **Knox,** Henry. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* "Camp Preakenis" [Preakness] New Jersey. A tabular statement [to Gen. George Washington, Preakness]. Artillery stores wanted for cooperation [with French forces]; quantity of powder and different size shot requested; note of quantities on hand at different places; remarks concerning a previous estimate. D. S. 3 pp. Q°.

In handwriting of Major Samuel Shaw.

1780. July 11. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Preakness, New Jersey]. Has received his letter of May 29th by Capt. [Abraham C?] "Vandyke"; latter has been given command of marines on the "Continental Ship" *Saratoga*; asks if the wine sent May 6th has been received; on the 18th inst. [June?] Congress directed that a further supply be sent Col. [Ephraim] Blaine for [Washington's] use; arrangements have been made to execute the commission. "F Lewis pr Order." *Marine Committee Letter book.*

1780. July 16. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. No attention thus far paid to fire ships or rafts; new fort on East River is built on estate of Anthony Rutger; another has been erected on North River; "no late accts. from Southern Army"; 4000 troops said to have been demanded for [Maj.] Gen. [John] Vaughan [Leeward Islands?]; a small fleet has gone there; 24 ships to be sunk [in Narrows]; desires transmitter of this news to send newspapers that effect of information may be known. A. L. S. 2pp. Q°.

[1780.] July 16–19. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information sent to Gen. [George] Washington, "Head Quarters" [Preakness, New Jersey.] [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves arrived [July 13th] with flag-ship *Loudon* and five ships of the line; [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot has joined him off Sandy Hook; reported that Graves detached three ships on way over, two to the West Indies, the other to some place unknown; Arbuthnot has sent letter to Chamber of Commerce petitioning for assistance in obtaining seamen; Chamber authorized an embargo and about 400 men have enlisted, among them Capt. [ ] Coulthard "of the ship Watt"; he commanded in the battle with the American ship *Trumbull;* four British regiments are stationed at Brooklyn; Col. Edmund Fanning's corps is at Lloyd's Neck [Long Island]; "grand fort" is being strengthened; when complete will mount 60 pounders and contain 5000 men; situation of three supporting redoubts given; description of camps and condition, situation etc. of troops on Staten Island; among others [Lt. Col. Thomas] Barton's and [Lt. Col. Abraham Van] Buskirk's regiments; Governors Island is deserted and one regiment is at Powles [Paulus] Hook; impossible to obtain exact state of garrison here; provisions are plenty; forage is scarce; gives quantities at different places; fuel is also plentiful. A. L. S. 4 pp. Q°.

1780. July 18. **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Troops that came from the South with [Lt. Gen.] Sir Henry [Clinton] are: Hessians, Guards, and [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's Rangers, in all 5000 men; "old Knyphowsen" [Wilhelm Baron von Knyphausen] has 6000 men at Elizabethtown; troops in and about the city now amount to about 13,000; [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves has six ships and 700 men; [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot has joined him with six other ships; both are waiting for the French fleet; ships and men are in fine condition; spirits much raised by the arrival of the fleet; following vessels named: *Loudon, Royal Oak, Uropia* [*Europa*], *Russell, Robust, Renown, Romulus, Rainbow;* four unnamed. 2 pp. Q°.

[1780.] [July 18.] [**Mersereau,** John.] *Secret agent near New York.* [Piscataway? New Jersey.] Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. 5000 [British] troops under marching orders; 50 transports are taking wood and water aboard; condition of fortifications; no attack on Canada expected; [British] reverses in West Indies; no London newspaper allowed to circulate in New York; vessels to be sunk are at the [Sandy] Hook. A. L. 1 p. Q°.

1780. July 19. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Nothing published as to arrival of [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves; French fleet of seven ships at Rhode Island; British fleet said to sail to-day in pursuit; 5000 French "Naturalists" [natives] on the French fleet; army under [Lt. Gen.] Sir Henry Clinton is embarking; destination unknown; Major [Samuel?] Hayes captured yesterday by a party under guidance of Major [ ] Ward's son; three vessels have arrived from England with merchandise; captured French East Indiamen expected; size of [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot's fleet; great things expected of it; distracted condition of British Empire; death of Sir Charles Hardy; is succeeded by Admiral Francis Geary as commander of channel fleet; much expected of [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. July 21–25. **Littel D.** *Secret agent near New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Troops embarking are: 22d., 38th., 42d., 43d., and 57th. regiments, forming [ ] Ewen's brigade; one battalion of "The Guards", 76th. Scotch regiment, [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's [Queen's] Rangers and two Hessian regiments forming Maj. Gen. Edward Matthew's brigade

July 22. Progress of embarkation; aim of expedition; ships *Amphitry* [*Amphitrite*] and two galleys for a convoy; *Galletier* [*Galatea*] preparing to sail southward.

July 23. Ships *Commelia* [*Cameleon*] and *Richmond* have arrived; latter to go to Rhode Island; French fleet reported as "safe mored" at Point "Judah" [Judith]; Col. Ethan Allen said to have received a commission from [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton; has certainly been in New York; may be a spy; vessels in harbor are: *Blonde, Cameleon, Lord Townsend* and *Sea Horse; Cameleon* and *Richmond* brought five prizes from "pertomuk" [Potomac River?].

July 24–25. Hessians in Col. [ ] Weldenberg's brigade and most of the Anspachers have "saled through Hellgate and are to Rendevous at White Stone" [Flushing, Long Island]; 10,000 men at work; French frigate reported as captured; "Monsr Letuche" [Louis Réné Vassor, Vicompte de La Touche-Treville] was commander; ordnance to be taken on expedition. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

Littel D was the nom de plume used by John Vanderhovern when giving intelligence to Washington through a third party.

[1780.] July 26. **Littel D.** *Secret agent near New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton has just gone to Long Island; sails [for Rhode Island?] tomorrow; the ship *Blonde* has run on the rocks at Hell-gate; 46 ships with four convoys are going; destination is the French fleet; reported capture of "Monsier Letuch" [Louis Réné Vassor, Vicompte de La Touche-Treville] is doubted; encloses rough draft of "works about the town"; *Amphitrite, Cameleon* and two galleys form the convoy. A. L. S. 2 pp. 12°.

[1780.] [July 26.] **L[ittel] D.** *Secret agent near New York.* Rough sketch of Fortifications of New York [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

Accompanying Littel D. to George Washington 1780, July 26.

[1780.] [July 26–31.] **[Amicus Reipublicae].** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Troops intended for Rhode Island have disembarked; extend from White Stone [near Flushing?, Long Island,] to Jamaica; reenforcements sent for from Char'eston; militia being disciplined; Commodore [ ] Walsingham has joined Admiral [George Brydges] Rodney; they are to attack French and Spanish fleets; expect reenforcement of seven ships; all quiet in New York; main purpose of letter is to send a few English prints; especially the "Memoire Justificaitefe of the Court of London" A. L. 3 pp. 8°.

1780. Aug. 1. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Peekskill, New York]. Has long sought an interview; would like to arrange a meeting place near "the road by Burrot Island"; has heard more concerning "this Col. [Ethan] Allen"; overheard that [Allen] had been at head-quarters, also at William Smith's; his mission; intelligence regarding recent changes in the garrison at New York; fortifications; British fleet of 72 ships; [Commodore] Walsingham has joined the British fleet in West Indies; report is that 34 French and Spanish war ships with 250 transports and 12,000 men are coming to America from the Indies; "beware of one Pool a spy" A. L. S. 4 pp. Q°.

1780. Aug. 6. **Culper,** Samuel jr. *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to Col. [William] Floyed, Brookhaven [New York]. Has received letter by [Austin] Roe; could not at once obtain articles desired; will send them by "next conveyance" A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

This letter is written over one from Culper to Bolton? now blurred and illegible. The earlier letter was written in invisible ink and covered two pages.

1780. Aug. 7. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Has received letters; owing to illness, sent another for information; obtained letter enclosed from Culper jr.; encloses also best obtainable account of garrison at "Loyd Neck" [Lloyd's Neck near Oyster Bay, Long Island]; location of various [British] regiments; is going [to New York] soon; will obtain certain things there. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Aug. 7. **[Culper,** Samuel.] *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Plan of fort at "Loyd Neck" [sent to John Bolton]. A. D. 1 p. Q°.

Accompanying Culper, Samuel, Letter to John Bolton 1780, Aug. 7.

1780. Aug. 12. **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Tappan, New York]. "Whole army is returned from the east"; headquarters at Jamaica [Long Island]; secret expedition is preparing to ascend North River; works at Brooklyn are progressing rapidly; on completion will send plan; secret expedition to Virginia planned; 5000 troops going; [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's regiment, [Lt. Col. Abraham] Buskirk's [Van Buskirk's] and [Lt. Col. Thomas?] Barton's levies; uncertainty of convoy; warning against "a certain Livy Dun"; latter proposed your [Maj. Benjamin Tallmadge's?] capture to [Maj.] Gen. [Abraham] Skinner; also capture of Benjamin Manning; fuller explanations later. 2 pp. F°.

1780. Aug. 12. **Jacobs,** John. *Col. commanding brigade of Massachusetts militia.* Butts Hill [Rhode Island]. Return [to Maj. Gen. William Heath, Newport, R. I.] of the three months men. Tabular statement of regiments commanded by Colonels Jacobs, [ ] How and [ ] Mitchel; Lt. [ ] Nigh at Newport in charge of wagons; Capt. [ ] Sparrow is acting as Brigade-major and Lt. [ ]Elles has charge of the boats at Howland Ferry. D. S. 1 p. F°

Enclosed in Heath, William, Letter to George Washington 1780, Aug. 13.

1780. Aug. 13. **Heath,** William. *Maj. gen. Continental army.* Newport [Rhode Island]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Tappan, New York]. When he wrote yesterday expected to join [Washington] in a few days; [Lt.] Gen. [Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure,] Count [de] Rochambeau objects to him leaving; requests that he signify to the Count that [Heath's] presence is necessary to the [American] Army; forwards for directions proceedings of a general court martial; culprits are Rhode Island men who jumped their bounties; [Thomas] Cushing and [Robert Treat] Paine, a committee from the Massachusetts Council, have represented to Rochambeau that the French Commissaries by paying for supplies in "hard money" will render it impossible for American Commissaries to purchase supplies with paper money; greater part of a provision fleet for Quebec has been captured by our cruisers; encloses papers received from Col. [John] Allan and a return of militia fortifying at Butts Hill; has not received return of those employed at "Tommony Hill" [Tominy Hill]; British fleet remains as mentioned in last letter. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Gen'l Heath. Aug. 13, 1780. Ansd. 17. Intelligence from Halifax obtained by Col. Allan—proceedings sent back." 3 pp. F°.

1780. Aug. 13. **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Tappan, New York]. 2000 men ordered to be in readiness for secret expedition; ships are to go with expedition; "may take up a certain Joseph Duilva, brother-in-law to John Compton" 1 p. F°.

1780. Aug. 13. **New York,** British Forces at. Mendham [New Jersey]. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Tappan, New York]. Cobble Hill mounts 7 guns; fort is in good condition; ¾ mile distant is a fort with 5 guns; Brooklyn fort mounts 26 guns, 11 on land side; 35 guns on Governors Island; Brooklyn fort is finished; is a square with four bastions. Endorsed by Washington: "Some Acct. of Brooklyn Fort, etc. Long Isld." 1 p. 8°.

1780. Aug. 14. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Tappan, New Jersey]. Have received his letter of "16th instant" [July?]; Capt. John Young, commanding the ship *Saratoga* sailed yesterday convoying the "Honble Henry Laurens Esq in the Mercury Packet a few Miles to Sea"; expects him to meet the ships *Trumbull* and *Deane* within the capes [May and Henlopen]; the three vessels under senior captain James Nicholson are to cruise for 14 days in search of the division of the French squadron; Capt. Young carries letters to the French commander. Signed: "Francis Lewis per Order." *Marine Committee Letter Book.*

1780. Aug. 16. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. Returned [from New York] today; C[ulper] jr. will continue in service; little news in New York; Tories are dejected; neutrality of European powers reported; provision ships were to sail yesterday for fleet in Gardiner's Bay [eastern extremity of Long Island]; [Lt. Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton and 7000 men are in readiness to move; also fleet at White Stone [Long Island]; rumor that 2d division of French troops has arrived; [Gov. William] Tryon, [Col. James] Patterson, and [Maj.] Gen. [Edward] Mathews [Matthews] about to sail for "Urope"; owing to illness of his informant, can not obtain account of conditions at L[loyd's] Neck [near Oyster Bay, Long Island]; will send newspapers next time; reception given Clinton. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. Aug. 17. **Culper,** Samuel jr. *Secret agent in New York.* New York. Letter [to John Bolton]. Object of British expedition was to dispossess French of Rhode Island; list of regiments for another possible expedition; provisions for fleet. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

Originally written with invisible ink and now legible only in part.

1780. Aug. 27. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. Acknowledges receipt of two letters and 10 guineas; has been ill and unable to inquire about enemy near him; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton has returned to New York; gives location of [Col. Edmund] Fanning's and other British regiments; watchfulness of troops; rumor, but no visible signs of enemy leaving New York; continued indignation in England; refugees maintain constant communication with outsiders; give much paper money to Tories; hopes to give more information as to treacheries soon; sends blank from C[ulper] jr.; will deliver "yours to him"; "on [September 2d] let [Caleb Brewster] cross again". A. L. S. 2pp. F°.

1780. Aug. 27. **Brewster,** Caleb. *Capt-lt., 2d Continental artillery.* Fair[field, Connecticut]. Letter to Major Benjamin Tallmadge, Pound Ridge [New York]. Returned from the island [New York] on 25th; did not see [Samuel] Culper; British troops are thick around Coram, Setauket and other places; [Capt. Jonathan?] Glover and [Lt. Stephen?] Hoyt have disarmed the refugee boats at "Drownmed's"; is badly in need of another boat; Capt. John Suttin [Sutton?] has one by order of [Maj. Gen. Robert Howe] that is public property and Jabez Fich [Fitch] has one or two at Horse's Neck; suggests the capture of British officers who go out every day with the hounds; watches them from "Esqr. Strong's"; all troops have come from the eastward; Sir Henry Clinton has gone to New York; the British fleet has sailed from Gunner's Bay. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Augt. 27, 1780. from Culper Senr." 1 p. F°.

1780. Aug. 31. **Continental Congress,** Admiralty Board. [Philadelphia.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Teaneck, New Jersey]. Has received his letter of 15th; Congress has ordered the ship *Saratoga* to cruise with the *Trumbull* and *Deane* in search of the French fleet for which they have dispatches; the *Confederacy* is the only Continental frigate remaining [at Philadelphia]; she is unprepared for present service. *Marine Committee Letter book.*

See: Continental Congress to George Washington 1780, Aug. 14.

1780. Sept. 1–5. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. Has sent [Bolton's] enclosure to C[ulper] jr.; latter had not the counterpart so no answer; nothing new in New York; enemy expect an attack; no further news before the 10th; [Col. Edmund] Fanning's regiment at Lloyds Neck; [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's is at Oyster Bay; encampment at Capt. Nathan Woodhull's and Parson [James] Lyons's; no expectation of leaving; troops seem off their guard; 500 good men could capture them all; if attack is to be made send [Caleb Brewster] on night before and he [Culper] will advise him then; "Aiglai Bgsyim" [George Howel] of Southampton is on your shore [Connecticut]; has been an agent of enemy for a long time; refugees continually exchanging paper money for provisions from Tories; "20 od[d] pounds of counterfeit money" so used; [ ] Trowbridge, an intimate of John Clark, is one of refugees; money used to pay colonial taxes; have tried to persuade Culper to help them; enemy collecting forage; it will be scarce the coming winter; [Lt.] Col. [Samuel] Birch remains at Setauket; has sent for field pieces; "for God's sake attack them, you'll certainly be successful if you're secret"; "come in large boats"; "pray afford some relief". A. L. S. 5 pp. Q°.

1780. Sept. 6. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John H[endricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. Secret embarkation of 5000 men planned; "old Lesley" [Maj. Gen. Alexander Leslie] in command; troops composing expedition; B[ond?] an "intermet" friend of Major [Fred] McKinsey [McKenzie] says expedition is against Virginia; is ignorant of convoy; hopes to inform him of it later; "transmit this to his Excellency [Gen. Washington] as soon as possible." A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

[1780.] [Sept. 6?] **L. J.** *Secret agent near New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Hopper House, Bergen county, New Jersey]. [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton has been advised to land 7000 men at Tappan; object is to cut off Gen. [George] Washington; [Clinton] prefers to be quiet until disturbances cease in England; 3000 troops are going southward; peace with "Speane" talked of; 8000 troops expected from England; writer desires a pass for a long time; "Right five lines to let me no what it is you wish to now from the Brithes". Endorsed: "Intelligence from L–J". A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1780. Sept. 7. **[Littel D.]** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter [to John Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. Ship with Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot has arrived; "George Webster" says they were followed by 2d Division of French fleet; latter consists of eight large ships; on this news ships in harbor [of New York] were sent out to cruise; the ship *Galtilear* [*Galatea*] will sail today, if possible; two hundred men at work upon her. A. L. 1 p. 8°.

1780. Sept. 7. **Bayley,** Jacob. *Brig. gen., New York militia.* Newbury [Vermont]. Letter to [Gen.] George Washington [Steenrapie, New Jersey]. Capt. [Clement] Goslin [Gosselin] and party have returned from their hazardous tour; will deliver information in person; believes them truthful; thinks no time should be lost in securing upper Canada; can hardly expect to take Quebec this year; occupation

1780. Sept. 7. **Bayley**, Jacob—Continued.

of the Three River districts and Montreal will secure supplies for a Spring campaign against Quebec; passage way through St. John's could be had for heavy artillery; can keep that part of the country if arms for the inhabitants can be found; then if peace comes will have some claim against the "Quebec Bill"; present is the best time for action; every support for an army is here; people are free to advance provisions and personal services; enemy have small parties out but alertness of inhabitants prevents them from doing much damage. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. Sept. 11. **Mersereau**, John. *Secret agent near New York.* [Piscataway? New Jersey.] Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Hopper House, Bergen county, New Jersey]. No movements among enemy since last letter; they remain under marching orders; sends newspapers by [ ] FitzRandolph; desires some news from the Southern Army and of Indians; will send this in to New York by FitzRandolph; such action will win confidence of soldiers [in New York]; [British] will then trust him [FitzRandolph] with letters; all such letters will be shown [Washington]; [soldiers] wish Philadelphia papers in return for those of New York. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Sept. 25. **L[ittel] D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter [to John Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. Conditions remain the same regarding [British] expeditions; troops from [Lt. Col. Thomas] Barton's, [Lt. Col. Abraham Van] Buskirk's, [Maj. Gen. James] Robertson's and [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's corps are under orders to embark; ship *Rainbow* is at [Sandy] Hook, the *Renown* is refitting; engineers are commanded by Capt. [ ] Smith?; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton has been away since Friday [22d]; [Admiral George Brydges] Rodney was with him at "Caniday's house"; has questioned the Admiral's pilot, who says troops and fleet are bound for Roads [Rhode] Island; uncertainty as to commanders in New York, or for the expedition; [Maj. Gen. Alexander] Lesley's [Leslie's] and [Maj. Gen. Francis] Smith's names are suggested. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1780. Sept. 26. **[Littel D.]** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John [Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. [Caleb] B[rewster] says [British] troops are marching to Red Hook; are to embark tonight; "Col" [Capt. William?] Morris's corps is with them; all carrying intrenching tools as well as ammunition; Admiral [George Brydges] Rodney has ordered four ships stationed in readiness. A. L. 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] [Sept. 27?] **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Robinson House near West Point]. "To wach [Gen. George] Washington's movements & let me know if he is crossing any part of his troops"; his number; to have somebody ready to come off the instant any troops get in the boats; "this is a coppy of Gl. [Lt. Gen. Sir Henry Clinton's] instructions". 1 p. Q°.

[1780.] [Sept?] **Bayley,** Jacob. *Brig. gen., New York militia.* [Newbury? Vermont.] Certificate of the services of Lieut. John Goulet and Noel Belonge. By order of [Gen. George Washington] Goulet has entered Canada four times and Belonge three times for information; have behaved with "stability to the United States"; merit esteem of all Americans; are now on the way to join their regiments, by order of Col. [Moses] Hazen. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1780. Oct. 8. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. Has received his letter [of Aug. 24th] with enclosed blank written on poor paper; encloses better; [Americans] in New York dread [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold; enemy embarking slowly; Culper jr. to meet him [on 12th]; asks [Bolton] also to come; Capt. Cornelius Concklin with boats crew fell into hands of refugees near Treadwells Banks [Long Island]; Lt. [Ezra?] Ketcham "killed dead"; fault of Abijah Jospier of "Seatauket"; no other news. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

Enclosed in Tallmadge, Benjamin, Letter to George Washington 1780, Oct. 11.

1780. Oct. 11. **Tallmadge,** Benjamin. *Major, 2d Continental dragoons.* "Bedford New Purchase" [Kings county, New York.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Preakness, New Jersey]. Encloses a letter from C. [Samuel Culper]; contains no news; [Benedict] Arnold's conduct since reaching New York has frightened correspondents so that they do not transmit news as immediately as heretofore; [Culper] jr. has requested an interview on 13th inst; does not think it prudent on account of the refugee boats along shore; has assured C. jr. that his correspondence is unknown to all but himself [Tallmadge]; if [Washington] thinks the interview desirable will meet C. jr. at any time. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. Oct. 11. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John H[endric]ks [Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. [Caleb] B[rewster] reports as follows: Arms of city militia taken and shipped on fleet; fifty horse from [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's corps go with expedition [to Virginia]; same troops [as previously reported] going; exception—260 Yägers in place of Simcoe's infantry; [Col. Archibald] McNab takes 160 set of cavalry accoutrements for volunteers which one "who calls himself Peter Smith" has raised; Smith, [Maj. Gen. Alexander] Leslie and [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold were with Commander-in-chief yesterday; size of convoy for expedition unknown; expedition may not be to the south as 300 iron stoves are taken; plans changed since Arnold came. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. Oct. 13. **Amicus Reipublicae.** *Secret agent in New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Rumor that Silas Deane has left France and delivered his credentials to the British Court; [Henry] Laurens, has been captured by English on his way to Holland; sent to England; St. Domingo man-of-war captured by frigate *Pearl;* "Cork & English fleets . . hourly expected"; size of ships; Admiral [George Brydges] Rodney to command; certain injured vessels to return to England; expedition said to be for Virginia; 2400 men going; peace with Spain and truce with France said to have been made; no other news by the packet; no time to write more. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. Oct. 13. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to J[ohn] H[endricks, Elizabeth, New Jersey]. Dangers surrounding Whigs in New York; frequent arrests; difficulty of obtaining news; list of troops going on [Virginia] expedition; portions of corps of [Maj.] Gen. [James] Robertson, [Brig.] Gen. [Cortlandt?] Skinner and Lt. [Col. Archibald] McNab; none of [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's are to go; [Maj.] Gen. [Alexander] Leslie is to command; Peter Smith and [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold has been with [Leslie] lately; *Lefortune, Renown* and other ships will constitute the convoy; destination of expedition unknown; [Admiral George Brydges] Rodney has both Rhode Island pilots and southern guides with him; Arnold has said many Tories will join them; Simcoe is in command at Richmond [Long Island]; [Lt.] Gen. [Baron Wilhelm von] Knyphausen at King's Bridge; [Maj. Gen. Francis] Smith at Staten Island; large fleet hourly expected; some ships have arrived; refugees hopeful; Admiral Rodney expects six large ships; one of 94 guns to be his flagship in place of the *Sandwich.* A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°.

[1780.] Oct. 16. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter [to John Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. The [British] fleet has dropped down to Sandy Hook; the *Terrible* and two other ships are repairing at New York; six thousand soldiers on the fleet; more constantly arriving; all but "Wigs" [Whigs] are in great spirits; is in urgent need of money; will send no more news till he gets some; is determined to write [directly] to Gen. [George] Washington; is in debt; "this by serving men who if they will deceive me in one thing they will in others" A. L. S. 1 p. Q°.

1780. Oct. 17. **Hendricks,** John. *Secret agent at Elizabethtown.* [New Jersey.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Preakness, New Jersey]. Has been employed by Col. [Elias] Dayton to forward intelligence; the Colonel is now sick; sends enclosures from two correspondents, one from New York [Littel D.] and one from [Elizabethtown]; his brother Capt. [James?] Hendricks informed him of Washington's desire for intelligence; New York man has been reduced by sickness and would be glad to receive something; has been promised something by Dayton; would be glad to forward it; expresses readiness to serve at any time. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. Oct. 17. **A Stranger.** *Secret agent near New York.* [Elizabethtown, New Jersey.] Letter to Col. [Elias] Dayton [Elizabethtown]. Reflections on treachery of [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold; great deal of money is spent by the British; has just returned from New York; large fleet arrived from England Sunday [15th]; 19 ships with 2600 men; ignorant of size of convoy accompanying fleet; fleet from Cork not yet arrived; *Sandwich, Triumph* and *Terrible* are in North River; four other ships at the "watering place"; an expedition has left New York; 43 ships and 6000 troops; composition of force; destination is Rhode Island or Virginia, probably the latter; convoy to meet them at sea; food scarce; much complaint; some American friends in New York detected by [ ] Pool; rest are cautious; D. [Littel D.] says he does not receive promised aid; is a worthy man and should be aided; "destroy this paper". A. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

1780. Oct. 23. **A Stranger.** *Secret agent near New York.* [Elizabethtown, New Jersey.] Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Preakness, New Jersey]. Has been employed by Col. [Elias] Dayton in going over to New York to obtain intelligence; Dayton is sick and John Hendricks desired him to report his intelligence to headquarters; matters at New York are unchanged; fleet lately sailed has gone south; 5000 troops, the flower of the army here, went with it; troops lately arrfved amount to 2700; Cork fleet not yet arrived; ship *Rainbow* with several frigates gone out to convoy it; *Sandwich* is refitting; refugees on Bergen Point say they will take all the hay from Newark and Elizabethtown and burn what they cannot carry off; Capt. [Benjamin] Ward, their commander, expects assistance from the Army; intends paying the above towns a visit and carry off all cattle, grain etc.; Brooklyn fort is very strong-mounts 26 heavy cannon, flanked with bastions etc. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. Oct. 24. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter [to John Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. Has received his of 22d; regrets illness of Col. [Elias] Dayton; although no aid has been given him must write the news; has met "George Fustner of Lankester", brother-in-law to Capt. [ ] Rankin who kept a ferry at that place; [Lt. Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton sent Fustner out on 5th to meet American officer; Capt. [ ] Lord's schooner brought him down; "Major" [Lt. Col. Oliver?] DeLancey [jr.] accompanied him [Fustner] to boat; Fustner returned the night of the 8th; Lt. [James?] Moody introduced to Fustner; [Littel D.] invited Fustner to dine; latter said he met one of [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold's associates on 5th; went with him some distance; officer appeared to be on way to Philadelphia; [American] officer said one more campaign would secure British success; writer is "working on" Fustner and Moody to ascertain more; member of Governor's council is in communication with Moody; will send more news later. A. L. S. 3 pp. Q°

1780. Oct. 26. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Has received his [letter of 11th]; has desired shorter method of communicating and urged same; C[ulper] jr. has resolved for present to leave New York; enemy very watchful and severe; suggests cessation of regular letters from New York; will undertake any special task; enemy's fleet left [Sandy] Hook the 17th and probably is now off Virginia; if separated, fleet is to gather at Hampton Roads; another embarkation expected; [Lt. Gen.] Sir Henry Clinton to reenforce [Lt. Gen. Charles, Earl] Cornwallis; militia and 4000 regulars to defend New York this winter; all other troops to subdue the South; English fleet consists of fifty ships; half merchantmen; new recruits are not over 2500; [English] much worried over non-arrival of Cork fleet; "French have taken 26 sail, East & West Indiamen"; 17 dragoons will be at Mosquito Cove in five days; are now at Cedar Swamp; will capture some "gentlemen" now foraging; guards to [British] foraging parties are weak; 105 wagons expected with only 17 men as a guard; suggests an attack upon them; [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold about to publish an address to his countrymen; it will advise service in British Army; fearful much harm will be done. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

1780. Oct. 26. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John [Hendricks] at Mrs. Elizabeth Vanderhovern's, Bridgetown [New Jersey]. Mail is being interrupted and brought into town by a refugee; "saw the man & his guide, a lusty punken man a very villin in his eyes"; ship about to sail with English despatches; foraging party being prepared; is ignorant of details; a man here from Lancaster is called the "Dutch Irishman"; his name is Robert [ ]; has guide called John Smith; came in with fourteen recruits; [Littel D.] wishes to see Hendricks; asks to be sent for; will send news and a gazette to headquarters on Saturday [27th]; encloses newspaper containing [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold's proclamation [of Oct. 20th]. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

[1780.] Oct. 26–27. **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John Hendricks at Mrs. Elizabeth Vander[hovern's,] Bridgetown, New Jersey. Has received letter containing five guineas; has had no receipt for last [two] letters; [ ] Lee will say when [Hendricks] can see him [Littel D.]; will not see him again "unless something is done"; [Maj.] Gen. [Alexander] Leslie has arrived in Chesapeake [Bay]; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton is moving his quarters to "Jamaia" [Jamaica, Long Island]; has [ ] Bond and [ ] Jesse out and expects to accomplish end desired. A. L. Signed "Little D" 2 pp. Q°.

[1780.] [Oct. 28?] **Littel D.** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John [Hendricks, at] Mrs. Elizabeth Vanderhovern's, Bridgetown [New Jersey]. Encloses [letter of 26th] which bearer did not take last time; only additional news is of shot and shell shipped on [Admiral George Brydges] Rodney's fleet; fleet is to return to West Indies; ships *Sandwich* and *Terrible* are to convoy [transports] to England when Cork fleet arrives; [George] Fustner is out; [James?] Moody's man left yesterday; [Littel D.] wishes to see Hendricks; desires trusty person sent to posts on Saturday; wishes his wife conducted to some place where he can see her; "will pay you well . . . . & then you will not fail" A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1780. Oct. 29. **Goulet,** Jean. *Lt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* Albany, New York. Account of expenses for expedition of [Goulet] and Pierre Cadieux from Coos [New Hampshire] to Albany [Canadian Expedition]. Provisions for nine days, cost seven "piastres" A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

In French.

[1780.] [Oct.] **Ferrio,** A. *Lt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* [Albany? New York.] Certificate of mission of Jean Goulet and Pierre Gondiere [Cadieux?]. Left for Canada Aug. 10, 1779; were to carry the news of the declaration of the French King; [Ferrio] has been in parish of St. Charles and of St. Denis; certifies that Goulet furnished 30 livres which has not been repaid. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.

In French. At foot of page in different ink is added: "de 3 plus piastre argent" a probable correction of the sum given in the above document.

1780. [Oct?] **Boileau,** Amable. *Ensign, col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* [Fishkill, New York.] Certificate of services performed by Lt. Jean Goulet. Had received orders from "Son Exelence" [Gen. George Washington] and from Gen. "LaFaillette" [Maj. Gen. Marie

1780. [Oct?] **Boileau,** Amable—Continued.

Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier de Lafayette] to go to Canada for information; was taken ill Aug. 5, [1779] and remained by the river St. Lawrence; gave Goulet full power to act in his stead. A. D. S. 1 p. 8°. On verso is Goulet's account for three louis; sum spent in expedition into Canada, Aug. 15–18, 1779.

In French.

[1780.] [Oct.–Nov.] **[Littel D.]** *Secret agent in New York.* Letter to John [Hendricks, Elizabethtown, New Jersey]. This is last letter; is determined not to risk life further; Admiral [George Brydges] Rodney is at [Sandy] Hook; came Saturday; fleet is at watering place; all think Rhode Island is destination of fleet; Yägers and [Lt. Col. John Graves] Simcoe's horse were landed last night; Capt. [ ] Brown, of Rhode Island, who lodges at [ ] Everett's and Capt. [ ]"Sancerau", master of Rhode Island packet, taken aboard; further reasons; Admiral Rodney went aboard yesterday; fleet from England [Cork fleet] has arrived; 150 ships with troops, stores and merchantmen, 30,000 bbls. of flour, British and Hessian troops; another "cut-throat general" among the Americans; name unknown; "he & two colonels met [George] Fustner, a Dutch[man] who [Lt. Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton sent out"; Fustner says he brought letters from them; meeting was at "Clarks" near Bordentown; Fustner long employed in business; "three times out with [Major John Lewis] André to [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold." A. L. 1 p. F°.

1780. [Nov. 5.] **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Has no certain news from New York; report that the Cork fleet is taken; believes there is some truth in the report; garrison at Lloyds Neck consists of Col. [Gabriel G.] Ludloe's [Ludlow's] regiment, part of Jersey Volunteers and some Wentworth Volunteers, 2000 men in all; no change in fortifications since plan was sent; plan may be relied upon and an attack is advisable; 150 refugees hold a strong blockhouse on "Jesse Arthur's" farm; 40 refugees at "William Smith's" farm; their condition; illegal traffic carried on by American whale boats; cruises chiefly to this [Long] Island with goods needed here; Capt. [Rufus?] Barton, Capt. [Robert?] Walker and Capt. [Elias?] Thompson came from Connecticut last week; inventory of goods brought; "Hobert Latham at Sag Harbor [Long Island] should be anihilated" for being agent of the traffickers; hopes to hear news through [Caleb Brewster] soon. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

1780. Nov. 6. **Vanderhovern,** John. *Secret agent near New York.* Elizabethtown [New Jersey]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Preakness, New Jersey]. Came here at request of Col. [Matthias] Ogden, Saturday night [Nov. 4th]; Ogden taken prisoner by [Major John Peter] De Lancey, through treachery of Abel Hatfield, before his arrival; has been an eye witness of [Brig.] Gen. [Cortlandt] Skinner coaching Hatfield as to information to be given American officers [at Elizabethtown]; Cornelius Hatfield and he came over [Nov. 3d] and captured Ogden and [Capt. Jonathan] Dayton; has

1780. **Vanderhovern,** John—Continued.
Nov. 6. received [Washington's] letter with five guineas; is the first and only compensation he has received for three years of faithful service at risk of his life; Abraham Banker and his brother have assisted him and expenses of their keeping the company necessary to obtain the information has been great; is surprised at the letter sent [John] Hendricks asking for information as to embarkation of Oct. 16th; exact account was sent; mentions regiments and commanders again; has described works on York Island; depended on Banker for Brooklyn forts but he was taken sick; sends rough sketch of those works and the New York city fortifications; will send a true draft at first opportunity; will leave it entirely to Capt. [James?] Hendricks; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton is going into winter quarters on Long Island for at least a month; his baggage has been moved. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

Vanderhovern's intelligence was usually sent to Washington through agents over the signature Littel D. To those letters that went directly to Washington his real name was affixed.

1780. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.]
[Nov. 28.] Letter to John Bolton. Congratulates him on burning forage [at Oyster Bay]; location of detachments under [Col. Gabriel G.] Ludloe [Ludlow] and Major [Thomas?] Colden; many could be easily captured; British frigate lost at Hellgate; intends to ride through the lines and have more news by Dec. 20th; possibly 10th; [Caleb Brewster] might cross and give instructions at that time; number sent on British expedition is as was given [Oct. 26th]; destination is certainly Charleston. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.]
[Dec. 12.] Letter to John Bolton. Has received his letters [of Nov. 20th and Dec 9th]; will serve the cause faithfully; has received reliable news [from New York]; another [British] expedition expected; enemy has grave fears for [Charles, Earl] Cornwallis; great desolation in English West Indies by the hurricane; encloses account of affairs at Jamaica; real condition is much worse; no news at present; [Brewster] will come from [New York] on [25th]; is planning a trip himself; trade is brisk; more goods going to Whigs from New York; two members of Continental Congress and a Judge of the Supreme Court are engaged in trade; will tell more later; asks [Bolton's] opinion of such conduct. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1780. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Letter to John Bolton.
[Dec. 24.] Returned from New York yesterday; [Brig.] Gen. [Benedict] Arnold, sailed with 1600 men on 20th; is entrusted with military chest and has abundant funds at his disposal; [Lt.] Col. [John Graves] Simcoe is with him; destination uncertain; probably Virginia, for Charles Williams, a refugee from Virginia is with them; Arnold not favored by [British] officers; "is called the Rebel Fleet"; enemy has accounts of large fleet sailing from France; 4000 [French] troops may be expected soon; about 7500 British forces fit for duty; horses in poor condition; Admiral [George Brydges] Rodney has sent many prisoners to England; requests that exchanges be frequent; Whigs not allowed to aid prisoners in New York; will obtain more news by [Brewster] and his own expected trip in January. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

[1780?] **Canada,** Intelligence from. Enemy's force consist of about 8000 men; names of new corps and their strength; forces at different garrisons, Isle au Noix, St. Johns, Carleton Island, etc.; description of Quebec; its fortifications and garrison; estimate of length of siege necessary to reduction of St. Johns; strength of garrisons mentioned above; Col. [Thomas?] Peters will, with his regiment, join the Americans and deliver up any garrison he commands; attitude of the clergy is one of self interest; nobles will work against the Americans; attitude of the people at large is one of apathy to both sides. Endorsed by Washington: "Intelligence from Canada by ———" 10 pp. F°.

[1780–81.] **German Troops** in America. List forwarded to Gen. George Washington [New Windsor, New York]. Regiments and commanders with the British Army; location and number of men; list of regiments given; 10,510 troops in all; 300 north of Kings Bridge. Endorsed by Washington: "List of the Germen Troops" 1 p. F°.

Names given in index. This list is signed Führer and seems to have been furnished Washington by some agent within the British lines.

1781. Jan. 5. **Knox,** Henry. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* "Park of Artillery" [New Windsor, New York.] Estimate submitted to Gen. George Washington [New Windsor, New York]. Ordnance and military stores necessary for campaign of 1781; muskets, pistols, flints, lead etc. and artillery supplies; goods to be imported; American gun carriages; shot and shell are of a high grade. D. S. Endorsed by Stephen Moylan: "General Knox's Estimate of military Stores necessary for Campaign of 1781" 3 pp. F°.

1781. Jan. 13. **H[atfield,]** Cornelius. *Capt., British provincial troops.* Chatham [New Jersey]. Letter to "Capt. [ ] G—d". Will meet him two days later at hour and place mentioned in his last letter; "3" was at Chatham; "I should have complied with yours this day"; "If it should rain, the next fair day" L. S. "13" and endorsed: "Copy of a note from Cornelius H. to Capt. G—d" 1 p. Q°.

Capt. Hatfield or Hetfield, was an American Loyalist in the British service. This letter is a copy forwarded to Washington by a secret agent near New York.

1781. Jan. 17. **Cadieux,** Pierre. *Private in col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* "De hoe-pointe" [near West Point?] Petition to His Excellency [Maj. Gen. Marie Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier] Marquis de "La fayet" [Lafayette]. The petitioner was selected to make a trip to Canada, on public service, to obtain information; went under command of a Lieutenant of his regiment, making the trip in the winter; another journey for the same object was made under command of Capt. [Clement] Gosselin of same regiment; for neither of these expeditions has the writer received any recompense; begs that the General will aid him in his endeavors to obtain the amount due him. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

In French.

1781. Jan. 18. **Gosselin,** Clement. *Capt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* Fishkill [New York]. Certificate that Pierre Cayen [Cadieux], a volunteer, has, in execution of orders from His Excellency [Gen. George Washington] and from "L'honourable Major General Le

1781. Jan. 18. **Gosselin,** Clement—Continued.
Maquis La faillette" [Lafayette] made two trips to Canada carrying intelligence and obtaining information, and has done his duty honestly and in good faith. A. D. S. 1 p. Q°.
In French.

1781. Jan. **Goulet,** Jean. *Lt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* Fishkill [New York]. Petition to Gen. George Washington [Morristown? New Jersey]. Was a refugee from Canada after the fall of [Brig.] Gen. [Richard] Montgomery [1775]; has been employed since with Capt. [Clement] Gosselin and Lt. [Amable] Boileau for 2½ years gathering information in Canada; has received no pay; his family has suffered heavily since the retreat; his house has been plundered and his papers burnt; prays that the matter be taken into consideration and justice done him. L. S. 4 pp. F°.

[1781.] [Jan?] **Gosselin,** Clement. *Capt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* [New Windsor, New York.] Report to Gen. George Washington, regarding conditions in Canada. 4200 troops in Canada; 1800 English; 1200 German; 1200 Tories; located, 800 at Point Lewis, 2000 at Quebec and remainder between Quebec and Isle de Noix; officers are "[Lt.] Gen. [Frederick] Haldman [Haldiman], Brig. Gen. [Francis] Macklinne [McLean], [Lt.] Col. [John] Cambel [Campbell] & Col. [Benjamin] Bernard"; description of defences at Quebec and Point Levis; transportation facilities; available supplies; landings for troops; majority in Canada favor French and Americans; eager to rebel but fear lack of support; Canadian troops, except English, well disposed towards America; Indians may be won through Jean Vincent, chief of the Hurons; Montgomery's example may be followed. L. S. witnessed by Athanas Boudeau "temoins en Canada" 4 pp. F°.
In French.

1781. Mar. 7. **Rochambeau,** Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure Count de. *Lt. gen. and Commander in chief of French army in America.* [Newport, Rhode Island.] Report of sick and wounded of the French Army in the hospital at Newport. Tabulated statement giving returns for the several divisions and regiments of the French troops; addressed: "Monsieur le Comte de Rochambeau" and attested. Endorsed by Washington: "Report of ye Sick of the French Army. Newport, March 1781" 1 p. Q°.

1781. Mar. 21. **Blaine,** Ephraim. *Col. and commissary general of purchases.* Newburgh [New York]. Letter [to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh]. All his public transactions with [William] Buchanan and [Jeremiah] Wadsworth since 1779 are still unsettled; Congress has fixed this month for admittance of these accounts; desires [Washington's] approbation of his conduct and a leave of absence; believes he can be better spared now than at another time; his assistant and Col. [Charles] Stewart's will render every aid; should he leave the army, will be always at His Excellency's service. A. L. S. Endorsed: "A Copy of a Letter to Genl. Washington." 3 pp. F°.

1781. Mar. **Lauzun,** Armand Louis de Gontaut, Duc de. *Brig. gen., Continental army.* Lebanon [Connecticut]. A tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington] of his legion. Numbers and locations of various detachments. Endorsed by Washington: "Return of the Duke of Lauzens Legion at Lebanon" D. S. 1 p. Q°.

1781. May 2. **Gosselin,** Clement. *Capt., col. Moses Hazen's Canadian regiment.* New Windsor [New York]. Letter [to Brig. Gen. Jacob Bayley? Fishkill, New York]. Has no wish to receive more money than will compensate him for actual expenses of his Canadian trip; the honor and privilege of serving a noble cause are sufficient reward for his own services; for the money that he has advanced however, it is only just that he should be compensated; presents account of his expenses incurred on this expedition.

Account as above for $305, Continental currency, covering expenses of Capt. Gosselin and seven men since leaving Preakness July 3, 1780. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

In French.

1781. May 15. **Brooks,** D[avid.] *Lt. and asst. clothier gen. of New York troops.* Newburgh [New York]. Letter to [Lt.] Col. Tench Tilghman [New Windsor, New York]. The bearer, Mrs. Mary Smith, is in straightened circumstances; her kindness to American prisoners in New York; himself and other officers, taken prisoners, lodged at her house for three months; she received no recompense; has been imprisoned by British for carrying food to American prisoners; destitute and was banished by Mayor [David] Matthews [Mathews]; Congress knows of the case; has directed [New York] State to consider the matter; a small sum has been appropriated for her relief; this sum is now exhausted; requests that she be recommended to Gen. [George] Washington for "a lasting order for a daily ration"; has spent a comfortable competency to relieve our distressed soldiery; "Justice not to say humanity, requires that she have at least soldiers Fare"; gratitude impels him to make this representation. A. L. S. Endorsed by Tilghman: "Mrs. Smiths Case" 4 pp. Q°.

[1781?] [May 15?] **Ledyard,** Isaac. *Asst. purveyor, hospital department.* Letter to [Lt.] Col. [Tench] Tilghman, "Headquarters" [New Windsor, New York]. The bearer of this is Mrs. [Mary] Smyth [Smith]; recounts her ministrations to American prisoners in New York; sold her furniture and mortgaged her house to raise money to aid them; was arrested several times for giving the aid; disguised herself and persevered in her efforts; was finally banished; on [Maj.] Gen. [Alexander] McDougall's recommendation the writer procured her a position as hospital nurse; has been discharged there being now no patients; [John] Jay has written Congress concerning her; Congress recommended her to the New York Assembly which granted her a small sum of money; this is exhausted and she is suffering for bread; wishes Gen. [George] Washington may grant her provisions; her case is meritorious. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1781. May 19. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter [to John Bolton]. Has received his letter of 3d; regrets that he cannot fully comply with his request; neither he nor C[ulper] jr. could find a suitable agent in [New York]; reasons

1781. May 19. **Culper,** Samuel—Continued.

for thinking the British suspect him of being an American agent; can give reported news for some time; A[micus] R[eipublicae] brings reports from New York and from C[ulper] jr.; [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot with troops mentioned in last letter, sailed on Sunday [May 13th] to block the Delaware passage; is expected to appear at Block Island soon; British have impressed 300 American prisoners upon their war ships; news from Europe favors peace; Russian Ambassador [Johann Mathias Simolin] said to have left the British court; has no time for a longer letter; Capt. [ ] Hazard with a party of refugees soon return to Fort George. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

[1781?] [June?] **New York City,** Attack upon. Outline of plan [submitted to Gen. George Washington, New Windsor, New York]. Troops to be used; arrangement of other forces; conditions necessary to secure secrecy; [Brig.] Gen. [Henry] Knox to be notified of movements along the Hudson; materials necessary for the attack; provision for retreat in case of ill success; necessity of having men detailed for service on the boats. 6 pp. F°.

This document probably has reference to the attack proposed for June 28 and attempted by Gen. Lincoln on July 2. See: Washington, George, Letter to Brig. Gen. Edward Hand 1780, Nov.

1781. July 7. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* Setauket [New York]. Letter to John Bolton. "Inclosed I send you a report . . . . procured from our old Assistants" [in New York]. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

For report, see document following

1781. July 3–7. **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Phillipsburg, New York]. British fleet composed of seven ships of the line and six frigates is at [Sandy] Hook; [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves commands; [Vice] Admiral [Marriot] Arbuthnot has returned to England; ship *Royal Oak* gone to Halifax for repairs; sufficient vessels remain to transport whole British Army and most of its stores; location of troops; [Lt.] Col. [Richard] Hewlett is at Jamaica [New York]; other regiments; American attack feared; efforts to win over the Whigs; [Lt. Col. Francis,] Lord Rawdon has received 1200 reenforcements at Charleston [South Carolina]; some recruits sent to Virginia; subjugation of Southern States intended; no reenforcements expected at New York; Pensacola has surrendered to the Spaniards; British garrison is to come to New York; while prisoners of Spain they may act against America; 1000 troops gained in this way; troops in New York including British, Hessians and new levies amount to 6000 men; refugees, sailors, militia etc. 3000. 2 pp. F°.

This letter was sent to Samuel Culper and by him forwarded to John Bolton. See document preceding.

1781. July 8. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* [New York?] Letter to "R. M." [Richard Muirson?]. Ten ships under [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves are just outside [Sandy] Hook; [Vice Admiral Marriot] Arbuthnot sailed for England on the 6th; abundant artillery and plenty of transports to move men and stores but

1781. July 8. **S. G.**—Continued.

no sailors; nearly whole British force gathered at [King's] Bridge to prevent Americans entering city; no offensive movement intended; no reenforcements since last letter; Lt. Gen. [Charles, Earl] Cornwallis with 3000 men hourly expected from south; his convoy is but one frigate; location of [British] and Loyalist troops; Col. Hulet [Lt. Col. Richard Hewlett] is at Jamaica; three British officers said a joint attack by French and Americans, by both land and sea, would take New York; Grenada and Pensacola taken by Spaniards; 400 prisoners captured and sent to New York on parole; express from Virginia arrived on the 6th; Tobago was invested by French; has probably fallen; St. Lucia must soon follow; English are discouraged; "Now is your time"; "push frigates in the sound"; "you have beat them at the bridge"; "almost all the Hessians were cutt off with Capt. Row [Lt. Robert Roe]"; five Continentals brought into the city; three are wounded; two have died. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

R. M. was an agent who transmitted communications from New York to Maj. Benj. Tallmadge.

1781. July 15. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* [Stoney Brook, New York.] Letter to [Major Benjamin] T[allmadge, Phillipsburg, New York]. Encloses "Rivington's" account of Hessian reenforcements [James Rivington's "Royal Gazette" of July 4th and 7th?]; account is exaggerated; real number not over 1500 or 2000; "the most sickly troops my eyes ever beheld"; have yellow fever; many suspect they came from the south; if from England, [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] C[linton] did not expect them; location of British fleet unknown; sailed from the Hook three weeks ago [June 23d?]; no alterations in defences; Fort Huntington to be enlarged; Stoney Brook harbor [50 miles N. E. of Brooklyn] to be fortified to protect refugees in woodcutting; result will be the ruin of the towns and interruption of secret intelligence; "prevent their coming off if you can"; fleet seen off the hook on Monday [9th?]; character unknown. A. L. S. Endorsed: "August 15th. 1781, Culper on matters & things". 2 pp. F°.

1781. July 30. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* [Stoney Brook? New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Garrison and equipment of [British] forts at Lloyd's Neck; *Blue Mountain*, *Vaughan*, and two other vessels guard the harbor; best pilots at Norwalk [Connecticut]; depth of water in [Lloyd's Neck] harbor; Capt. [ ] Steel expected with a frigate from New York; description of fort at Lloyds Neck; little news from New York; [British] fleet sailed Sunday [July 22d]; thought to have gone south "after the troops"; ship lately from England reports French fleet of 12 sail en route for America; British troops at New York need reenforcement before active operations; sends "roughf scetch" of fortifications at Lloyds Neck; is ready to fulfil any commission at short notice; A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

Sketch mentioned is on verso.

1781. July 30. **Gibbs,** Caleb. *Major, 2d Massachusetts regiment.* [Phillipsburg, New York.] "Pickett No. 5." A tabular report to Maj. Gen. [William] Heath and Col. Benjamin Tupper [Phillipsburg]. Pickets of American Army, mounted July 29, 1781; countersign and

1781. July 30. **Gibbs,** Caleb—Continued.

parole; report of occurrences during the period of watch; light at Mrs. [ ] Archer's house investigated; relieved by Major [Wills] Clift. Countersigned by Tupper. D. S. Endorsed "Report of the Picketts of the American Army mounted July 29, 1781" On verso, in Washington's handwriting, is an estimate of the regular troops in the American Army by corps and of the militia by states. 2 pp. F°.

1781. Aug. 10. **South Carolina,** [State.] British Forces in. [Phillipsburg? New York.] Estimate compiled from various reports and submitted, with marginal notes [to Gen. George Washington, Phillipsburg]. [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene, on Jan. 6th "previous to the affair of Morgan" [Battle of Cowpens] estimated troops at 5455; deduct army sent to Virginia, estimated by Greene at 3250; troops sent were [Maj. Gen. Alexander] Leslie's Hessians, "Brigdr. Genl. Oharra's [Col. Charles O'Hara's] Guards", portions of 71st. regiment, [Lt. Col. Sir Banastre] Tarlton's [Tarleton's] legion and [Lt. Gen. Sir Robert?] Hamilton's corps; troops remaining in South Carolina are 7th., 17th., 63d., 64th., and one battalion 71st. regiments, Volunteers of Ireland, Croger's [Lt. Col. John Harris Cruger's] and [Lt. Col. William] Allen's [Loyalists], [Capt. John?] Harrison's corps, Hessians and Yägers, in all 2220; there are to be deducted: troops captured by [Brig.] Gen. [Daniel] Morgan, by [Lt.] Col. [Henry] Lee, those captured at Forts Watson, Granby and Mott, at Orangeburgh and those left at Campden [Camden] and Augusta; in all 1495 men [leaving 725 British troops in the state]. Endorsed by Washington: "State of the Enemy's force in So. Carolina 10th. Aug. 81" 2 pp. F°.

[1781.] [Oct. 2.] **Rochambeau,** Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure, Count de. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of the French army in America.* [Camp before Yorktown, Virginia.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. "Wounded and Killed of the french army during the seige of York." Return from Sept. 6th to October 1st; 1 officer and 59 privates killed; 17 officers and 176 privates wounded. Contemporary copy. 1 p. Q°.

1781. Oct. 2. **Durie,** Thomas. *Deputy commissary of prisoners.* "Camp near Yorktown" Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. "Prisoners of War taken by the Army under the command of Major General [Marie Jean Paul Joseph Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier] Marquiss De Layfayatte" Names of 24 prisoners and their places of confinement. 1 p. F°.

Names given in index.

[1781.] Oct. 4. **Yorktown,** [Virginia.] British Forces at. Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. York river blockaded [by French fleet under Lt. Gen. Francois Joseph Paul, Comte de Grasse-Tilly]; channel blocked by ten or twelve sunken vessels and by driven piles; ships *Chason* and *Guadeloupe* defend the town; twelve large barks have been collected [to transport troops]; [Lt. Gen. Charles, Earl] Cornwallis desires more but cannot obtain them; provisions are failing; [Lt. Col. Banastre] Tarleton with 400 horse gone to Gloucester; fortifications of Yorktown;

[1781.] **Yorktown,** [Virginia.]—Continued.

Oct. 4. aid hoped for from [Rear Admiral Thomas, Lord] Graves and 29 ships; 3 [ships] came with [Rear Admiral Robert] Digby; relief of Cornwallis to consist of 10,000 troops from New York and those with Digby; Cornwallis eager to escape; will hold out as long as possible; has received despatches from New York by a small vessel; route has been discovered [by Americans] and will be guarded; fire ships prepared in case [American] vessels attempt to ascend [York] river; much illness [in Yorktown]; crossing to Gloucester impossible, because of lack of boats; Endorsed: "Information given by the Commander of a boat taken in York River" 3 pp. F°.

1781. Oct. 15. **Rochambeau,** Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeure, Count de. *Lt. gen. and commander in chief of French army in America.* [Camp before Yorktown, Virginia.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. "Killed and Wounded of the French troops since the beginning of the Siege of York." From the 6th to the 7th October, 8 wounded; 7th–8th, 6 wounded; 8th–9th, 1 killed, 1 wounded; 9th–10th, 5 wounded; 10th–11th, 1 killed, 1 wounded; 11th–12th, 7 wounded; 12th–13th, 6 killed, 11 wounded; 13th–14th, 1 killed, 31 wounded; 14th–15th, 41 killed, 57 wounded; total, 50 killed, 127 wounded; "Nine officers wounded two of them are dead now." Endorsed by Tilghman: "Copy of Return of the killed and wounded in the French Army up to the 14th. October. 1781" 2 pp. F°.

1781. Oct. 18. **Durie,** Thomas. *Deputy commissary of prisoners.* "Camp before York Town" [Virginia.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. Prisoners of war taken Oct. 16th; names of their regiments and places of confinement: Thomas Fuller, William Walker, James Wanson, George Nicholson, William Grimes, and Casper Noel. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1781. Oct. 19. **Cornwallis,** [Charles, Earl.] *Lt. gen. "commanding the garrisons of York & Gloucester"* and **Symonds,** Thomas. *Capt. "Commanding his Brittanick Majesty's naval forces in York River"* Capitulation at Yorktown. The fourteen articles of capitulation agreed to between Gen. [George] Washington, Lt. Gen. [Jean Baptise Donatien de Vimeure,] Count de Rochambeau and Lt. Gen. [François Joseph Paul,] Count de Grasse [–Tilly] on the one part, and Lt. Gen. [Charles,] Earl Cornwallis and [Capt.] Thomas Symonds on the other part; articles proposed, with Washington's reply to each. D. S. 9 pp. F°.

Printed: Sparks, Writings of Washington. 8,533. Facsimile: Watson, Historical and Literary Curiosities, 6th. ed. 1st. Ser., pl. 34.

1781. Oct. **Hand,** Edward. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* [Yorktown, Virginia.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. "Killed and Wounded of the Combined Army from the 28th. September 1781 . . . . to the 19th October"; 2 commissioned officers killed, 27 wounded; 86 non-commissioned officers killed and 273 wounded. A. D. S. 1 p. F°.

See: Documents following.

1781. [Oct.] **Hand,** Edward. *Brig. and adj. gen., Continental army.* [Yorktown, Virginia.] A tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. Killed and wounded in the American Army from 28th Sept. to the night of the 14th of October following; total of 16 Continentals and 4 militia killed; 40 Continentals and 16 militia wounded; Col. [Alexander] Scammell and Capt. [William?] White of Col. [Joseph] Vose's battalion killed and Capt. [Clement] Gosselin of [Brig.] Gen. [Moses] Hazen's regiment wounded; following officers wounded at storming of redoubts: Lt. Cols. [Francis] Barber and [— de] Gimat, Major [William] Barber, Capts. [Stephen] Olney and [Thomas] Hunt, Capt-Lt. [David] Kirkpatrick and Lt. [John] Mansfield; additional tabular statement of killed and wounded in American Army since Oct. 15th. Grand total during the seige: Continentals, 21 killed, 76 wounded; militia, 5 killed, 20 wounded. D. S. 1 p. F°.

1781. Oct. **Durie,** Thomas. *Deputy commissary of prisoners.* [Camp before Yorktown, Virginia.] Return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. "Officers & Privates, Prisoners of War taken the 14 October 1781"; 65 privates; officers taken: Major James Campbell, Capt. Duncan Cameron, [Capt.] Patrick Tytler, Lieut. Thomas Innes, [Lt. Ernst] William du Andresohn [Andersohn], Ensign Nicholas [Nikolaus] Runc'k [Runk]. A. D. S. Endorsed: "Return of Prisoners taken in the Redoubts night of the 14t. October 1781–" 1 p. F°.

1781. Oct. **Durie?** Thomas. *Deputy commissary of prisoners.* [Yorktown, Virginia.] Tabulated return [to Gen. George Washington, near Yorktown]. Prisoners taken on the surrender of [Charles,] Lord Cornwallis at York and Gloucester; grand total of 7054. Copy. 2 pp. F°.

Accountant makes grand total 7049.

[1781.] [**Varick,** Richard.] *Lt. col. and secretary to Washington.* Memorandum of papers relative to routes into Canada. "Bundle No. III" List of letters written to Washington by Maj. Gen. [Philip] Schuyler and Col. [Goose] Van Schaick with Col. [John] Bradstreet's Journal and memorandum of route given by Lt. [Thomas] McClelan. A. D. Endorsed by Varick: "Memor. of Papers relative to routes into Canada by Oswego & from F. Schuyler to Oswegashie" 1 p. F°.

[1782.] [Jan. 8.] **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Philadelphia]. List of regiments, their size and location on York, Staten and Long Islands; late accounts of an expedition have no foundation; "Powles" [Paulus] Hook and dependencies being strengthened; will forward accurate return of Hessians and Provincials as soon as possible. Endorsed: "Intelligence from Staten Island 8th. Jany. 1782." 1 p. Q°.

1782. Jan. 14. **Stirling,** [William Alexander, Lord.] *Maj. gen., Continental army.* [Albany, New York.] Memorandum [to Gen. George Washington, Philadelphia]. Memorandum is for "immediate consideration"; relates to an attack upon British vessels, supposedly caught in the ice on Lake Champlain; if not done at once, it might be wise to attempt the operation in case the attack on New York is

1782. Jan. 14. **Stirling,** [William Alexander, Lord]—Continued.
unsuccessful; may extend the plan so that Montreal and other cities of Canada could be held by the United States at the close of the war. L. S. Endorsed by Varick: "Lord Stirling's plan of an attack upon the enemys posts in the course of the Winter." 3 pp. F°.

1782. Feb. 6. **New York,** British Forces at. Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Philadelphia]. An "accurate account of the Cantonements of the several British & Hessian Regiments together with the new raised Corps &c &c"; troops that went to Charleston "last winter" were Germans; more are to be sent; [Rear] Admiral [Robert] Digby commands in [New York] harbor; [Rear] Admiral [Thomas, Lord] Graves and [Rear] Admiral [Samuel] Hood have gone to the West Indies. 1 p. F°.

1782. Apr. 22. **Lee,** Henry. *Lt. col., Continental dragoons and gen., Virginia militia.* Westmoreland county [Virginia]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Newburgh, New York]. Matter on which he troubles him concerns a large number of officers; his corps was employed in impressing horses; power of discretion in warrants issued from headquarters; before the legion was put under [Maj.] Gen. [Nathanael] Greene it was collecting horses in New Jersey and Pennsylvania; Lt. [James] Heard operated in Monmouth county [New Jersey], under direction of Capt. [Michael] Rudolph; took stallions; a Mr. Anderson got an order [from Washington] for return of his, but stallion had been gelded; Heard was stopped, on returning to Army from leave of absence, by suit of Anderson and will be tried in August; precedent that will be thus established is dangerous; no officers will be safe; begs His Excellency's interposition for Heard. A. L. S. 5 pp. F°.

[1782.] [Apr. 27.] **DeMott,** Mark. *Capt., New York militia.* Secret information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh, New York]. Number and location of British troops in Canada; 970 men located at seven posts; main bodies at Montreal, Carleton Island and Oswego. 1 p. F°.
The name of this writer is spelled also DeMouth.

1782. May 5. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Letter to [Caleb Brewster?]. "cessation of armes is orderd"; "terms of peace are gone to *Congress*"; "Conditions is here unknown; but generally Supposed Independence is offerd"; enemy continue to fortify on York and Long Island. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.

1782. May 20. and [June 3?] **L. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh, New York]. Fleet of empty transports fell down to Narrows last Sunday [26th]; convoy is small; belief general that destination is southward; operations on Long Island; defensive action alone intended; battle between French and English in West Indies said to have been severe on former; information given is from "our old correspondent" [Culper jr?]; best not to mention names. A. L. S. 1 p. F°.
This is probably the same writer as the one elsewhere signing his information S. G.

1782. May 23. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* Letter to John Bolton. Left New York last Tuesday [21st]; 53 transports and one war ship have sailed for "Urope" since arrival of Sir Guy Carleton; all troops in New York "even to officer's servants" reviewed on Monday [20th]; total 4100 men; 5000 others at McGowen's Pass, the Bridge and on Long Island; great reductions in forage and barrack master's departments; wagons and horses being sold; 80 transports are preparing to sail on short notice; 7000 troops ready to embark; no report of an expedition but fears one; [Lt. Gen. Sir Guy Carleton] said to be unable to grant independence until after hearing from England. A. L. S. 2 pp. F°.

1782. June 3. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* Letter to [John Bolton?]. Lines planned by [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Henry] Clinton "between Brookline Church & the Ferry" not to be executed; [Lt.] Gen. [Sir Guy] Carleton wishes them more extensive; new plans; fleet of 50 transports fell down to [Sandy] Hook May 28th; some say it is to sail for Halifax; more probably to Carolina; will sail soon and convoy is weak; town committee has asked Carleton if he intends to evacuate the city; latter could not reply; boats that were to have come on Saturday [June 1st] have not arrived. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1782. June 17. **Pray,** John. *Capt., 1st Massachusetts regiment.* Dobbs Ferry [New York]. Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Newburgh, New York]. Received a letter from [Lt.] Col. [Jonathan] Trumbull [jr.] containing a copy of a representation sent by a person with a flag; detained same; gives following account of what passed between them: On going to Tarrytown on 8th inst., found a British dragoon with a handkerchief on a stick who handed him two letters; returned them stating that all flags were received at Dobbs Ferry; dragoon stated that he had been told at Newbridge to go to Tarrytown and ask for Capt. Pray; put him under guard and forwarded the letters to [Maj.] Gen. [William] Heath; Capt. [ ] Totten next morning interrogated prisoner, who stated that he had delivered two letters to Gen. [George] Washington and received two from him to be taken into York but that [Pray] had stopped him and taken them away from him; Totten took dragoon off with him; intended giving dragoon a receipt for letters when [Heath] had received them; sends guard that was with him when he met the dragoon, also Capt. Daniel Martting [Martin]. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Representation of Capt. Pray respectg. the Dragoon Moorfield—sent out from N. York wth a Flag by Land 1782". 4 pp. F°.

1782. June 28. **S. G.** *Secret agent near New York.* Letter to John Bolton. No troops in New York except a few Hessians; militia does rest of work; British troops are on eastern part of York Island; Fort Washington is dismantled; continual fear of attack; many vessels being purchased to sink at [Sandy] Hook if the French come; large supplies of wood demanded; packet has arrived from England but had not come up the harbor when [S. G.] left the city. A. L. S. 2 pp. Q°.

1782. July 5. **Culper,** Samuel. *Secret agent near New York.* [Setauket, New York.] Letter to John Bolton. Information is from "our esteemed friends at ——"; Lloyds Neck has but 200 men under Major [ ] Hubbel; defence is weak and force decreasing; 1000 men including Col. [John] Murray's horse under Col. [Frederick Wilhelm von] Wurmb at "Success" [Suffolk county, N. Y.]; 1000 men at Brooklyn Church; Col. [Gabriel G.] Ludloe's [Ludlow's] regiment is at Flatbush; location of other troops; conditions in New York under [Lt. Gen. Sir Guy] Carleton compared with those under [Lt. Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton; troops from Charleston expected; much illegal trade; Capt. William Davidson of Milford, [Connecticut,] now trading at New York; many other cases; effectual preventives should be used. A. L. S. 3 pp. F°.

1782. July 7. **Richard,** Henry. [Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania.] Deposition. Taken prisoner by Indians on May 5th and carried to settlements of the Six Nations; expeditions that were projected and started before his escape with Adam Groninger; orders were received from Capt. [?] John Johnson and Joseph Brant. D. S.

Denison, Nathan. "*Justice Peace*" Westmoreland. Attestation to above. A. D. S.

Denison, Nathan. *Colonel.* Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Newburgh, New York]. A number of gentlemen are here that can vouch for the honesty of Richard; by own observation considers him an intelligent person. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Westmoreland July 7th. 1782. Information of Indian designs to attack the Mohawk country".

July 12. **King,** Frederick. *Mail-carrier?* "Post Office Morristown." [New Jersey.] "Post from Philad. was stopt about 2 miles So. of Trenton and the Mail & papers taken from him—by Six Horsemen & four foot men:—" 2 pp. F°.

1782. Oct. 15. **Pickering,** Timothy. *Col. and quartermaster general Continental army.* "Camp Verplanks Point" [New York.] Letter to Gen. [George] Washington [Verplancks?]. Has viewed land in vicinity of New Windsor and Newburgh, in company with Colonels [Heman] Swift, H[enry] Jackson and [David] Cobb, to find suitable places for hutting the troops; place for a small brigade found about one mile from huts lately occupied by the 3d Massachusetts; description of other grounds traversed in vicinity of Gedney's sawmill and Richard Ward's place; ground found in vicinity of Murderers Creek; description of ground near the artillery huts near Deacon [ ] Brewster's and John Ellison's; ground in rear of artillery huts and owned by William Ellison has advantages. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "Quartr. Mr. Generals report of the Grounds propr. for Hutting." 3 pp. F°.

1782. Oct. [**Tilghman,** Tench.] *Lt. col., aid de camp and military secretary to Washington.* [Verplanck's Point? New York.] Estimate [sent to Gen. George Washington, Verplanck's]. "British and Foreign Corps remaining at New York and to Dependencies." 27 regiments mentioned; number of troops not given. A. D. 1 p. F°.

1782. [Oct.] **Bissel,** Daniel. *Sergt., 2d Connecticut regiment.* [Newburgh? New York.] Substance of information obtained. Was sent into New York Aug. 1781; escaped Sept. 27, 1782; to avoid impressment in the Navy enlisted in Arnold's corps; gives composition and strength of corps on Staten Island; [Brig. Gen. Oliver] DeLancey's brigade and [Brig. Gen. Cortlandt] Skinner's brigade and others are on Long Island; method taken to obtain this information; Maj. [Charles] Menzies stated that about 10,000 troops were in this department; Sir Guy Carleton's order to treat persons found with written information as spies, compelled him to destroy his memoranda; gives number and destination of ships now in harbor; heavy artillery has been removed from the park; city will not be evacuated until Spring; refugees are preparing to go to Halifax; enemy is increasing his supply of forage; gives account of enemy's works on Staten Island; size of main fort; description of intrenchments and disposition of guns; position and armament of the other fort; ditches, etc.; grand battery at New York has been repaired; mounts 63 pieces, 24 and 18 pounders; plan sketched of Staten Island fort. Endorsed by Washington: "Sergeant Bissels acct. of the Enemy's force and Works at New Yk. &c". 7 pp. F°.

1782. Nov. 7. **Continental Congress.** [Philadelphia.] Resolve. Directs the Commander-in-chief [Gen. George Washington] to set Capt. [Sir Charles] Asgill at liberty.

Nov. 8. Resolve. Directs that the Commander-in-chief demand in the most pointed terms of the British commander at New York [Maj. Gen. James Robertson] examination of the murder of Capt. [Joseph] Huddy; authorizes commanders to make reprisals for acts contrary to the rules of war. "Extract from the Minutes Geo. Bond Depty Secy." Endorsed: "The Honbl. Mr. Madison. Resolution of Congress as to the liberation of Sir C. Asgill. Nov. 7. 1782". 2 pp. F°.

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1782. Nov. 25. **Mullen,** Daniel and others. *Deserters from guard ship "Garland."* [Newburgh, New York.] Examination. *Avenger* the only vessel off "Spiten Devil" [Spuyten Duyvel Creek]; the three lookout boats are in a cove three miles below Fort Washington.

Magnos, Charles. *Deserter from same ship.* Examination. Believes the three whale boats have gone to New York; were ½ mile below Fort [Washington?].

Cunnington, John. *Deserter from same ship.* Examination. Reports a brig lying under guns of Fort [Knyphausen?].

Nov. 29. **Shields,** John. *Deserter from H. M. S. "Lyon."* Examination. Location of certain British regiments in and about New York.

Pritchett, Griffes. *Deserter from same ship.* Examination. "Can give no information"; location and size of certain British regiments.

Nov. 30. **Glass,** John. *Corporal and deserter from 40th regiment.* Examination. Location and strength of various [British] detachments; corps of [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold; [Maj.] Gen. [John] Campbell commands troops upon Long Island including provincials; most

1782. **Mullen,** Daniel and others—Continued.

Nov. 30. **Glass,** John—Continued.

of Hessians are upon Long Island; heard nothing of general embarkation but Major [Stephen] Bromfield of 40th regiment said four regiments were going to West Indies; no talk since fleet sailed on Friday [22d]; 13 ships of the line; [Vice] Admiral [Hugh] Pigot commanding; [Rear Admiral Richard,] Lord Howe commanding 2d division. 2 pp. F°.

1782. Nov. 30. **Ernest,** John and others. *Deserters from Hessian, Prince Charles regiment.* [Newburgh, New York.] Examination. Troops in New York and on Long Island; rumored that troops will leave New York soon; Gibraltar said to have surrendered; Wissenbach's and "Augenillis's" regiments at Paulus Hook; thinks fleet sailed fourteen days ago.

Schumbach, Henry. *Deserter as above.* Same information but thinks Wissenbach's regiment to be on Long Island.

Kuntz, Adam. *Deserter as above.* Same information. 1 p. F°.

1782. Dec. 23. **Charleston,** South Carolina, British Forces at. Estimate [sent to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh, New York]. Names of regiments and numbers comprising same; composition of forces expected from Ireland and their strength. Endorsed by Washington: "Estimate of the British force at Charles-Town." 2 pp. F°.

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1782. Dec. **[Tilghman,** Tench.] *Lt. col., aid de camp and military secretary to Washington.* [Newburgh, New York.] Estimate [sent to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh]. British force at New York and Charleston; names and location of regiments; "in making estimates the British Regiments have generally been averaged at about 350 each the Foreign 400. The provincials may be about 200 or 250 each." A. D. 2 pp. F°.

1782. **New York City.** Description of the line of canal. Contiguous lands, protecting redoubts etc.; begins at French Peter's above Lispenard's brewery; extends to Elliot's house and terminates at redoubts. Endorsed by Washington: "Acct. of the Canal in N. Yk. 1782". 1p. Q°.

1782. **New York City,** Guards at. List of the stations and kinds of guards. Addressed to Col. Mathias Ogden. Endorsed by Washington: "List of the Guards in New Yk. 1782". 1 p. F°.

[1782.] **New York,** British Forces at. Secret Information [sent to Gen. George Washington, Newburgh? New York]. "View of the State of the Enemy at New York & its dependencys"; names and location of various corps; force consists of 9080 men; Hessians under [Lt. Col. Andreas] Emmerich not arranged in regiments; Pensacola garrison has been largely drafted into other regiments; deserters brought in by the ship *Boneta* have been placed in corps of [Brig. Gen. Benedict] Arnold and [Lt. Col. Benjamin] Thompson; many desertions from [Brig. Gen. Oliver] DeLancy's regiment; not over 1100 Hessians at New York. 1 p. F°.

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1783. Aug. 4. **Varick,** Richard. *Lt. col. and recording secretary to Washington.* Poughkeepsie [New York]. Tabulated list sent to Gen. [George] Washington [Newburgh, New York]. State of the volumes remaining in his [Varick's] hands. A. D. S. Endorsed: "State of the Books yet unfinished at Poughkeepsie August 14th. 1783". 1 p. Q°.

[1783.] **Canada,** "Limits" of. Boundary lines specified; "Quebeck was the name given to the Government of Canada by the royal proclamation of 1763". Endorsed by Washington: "Boundaries of Canada". 1 p. Q°.

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[1784.] **Bruff,** Thomas. [Georgetown, Maryland.] Letter to [George] Washington, Mt. Vernon [Virginia]. Troubles him again on a matter he has written about before; refers him to William Vans Murray for knowledge of his character; has met with business reverses; desires the loan of £400 or £500; will give security in six weeks; is going to marry a lady of wealth as soon as present financial embarrassments are overcome; his remarkable vision; will repay the debt in six months or a year; will remain in Georgetown for answer to this letter. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "From Mr Thomas Bruff without date and without Success". 3 pp. F°.

1789. [Oct. 17?] **Massachusetts,** [State.] Boston. Vote of Committee on reception of the President [George Washington]. Votes that the house now occupied by [Jared] Ingersoll be prepared for residence of the President while here; that Col. William Tudor present the above vote to Christopher Gore to be presented by him to the Secretary of the President [Tobias Lear?]; Tudor to see that the house is prepared. Copy attested: "Jno. Andrews". 1 p. F°.

1789. Oct. 18. **Chapel Church,** Boston. Vote of wardens. Thomas Bulfinch and Shrimpton Hutchinson, wardens, and Samuel Breck, Charles Miller and Christopher Gore appointed a committee to invite the President of the United States [George Washington] to attend a sacred concert at the Chapel. "Attt. Thos. Bulfinch. Shrimpton Hutchinson, wardens". 1 p. Q°.

1789. Oct. 21. **Massachusetts,** [State.] Boston Selectmen. Letter to President George Washington [Springfield, Massachusetts]. Informs him of arrangements made for his reception; trusts they will meet with his approbation; this letter will be delivered by Joseph Barrell, Samuel Breck and William Eustis, the committee appointed for the above purpose. 2 pp. Q°.

[1789.] [Oct. 27.] **Massachusetts,** [State.] Boston Selectmen. Request [to President George Washington, Boston]. In behalf of the ladies ask that he allow his portrait to be painted; they intend to present it to be hung in "Faneuill Hall." 1 p. Q°.

1789. Oct. 28. **Jennings** Daniel and others. Boston. Petition to President George Washington [Boston]. Congress has provided for pensioning invalids of the late Army, but they have received no money for three years; inevitable suffering that must ensue from the hard winter about to set in; pray that he may grant them some immediate relief. Signed: Danl. Jennings, Benj. Goold, William Spooner, Richd. Witcom, John Hunewell, and Amariah Vose. 1 p. F°.

1795. July 25. **Georgia,** [State.] Savannah. Proceedings of a meeting of citizens, Gen. Lachlan McIntosh, Chairman. Committee appointed to call a meeting for July 29th: Mr. Scheuber, Dr. Young and Mr. Welscher.

July 29. Meeting held. Dr. Noble Wimberly Jones, chairman. Resolves: Treaty of Amity, Commerce and Navigation is infraction of sovereignty of United States and derogatory to interests of citizens thereof; Committee consisting of Jno. Y. Noel, Noble Wimberly Jones, Lachlan McIntosh, Joseph Clay, James Habersham, George Jones, Wm. Stephens, James Jones, John Houstoun, Jno. Mosel, James Cochran, Robert Bolton, Ebenezer Hills, Mordecai Sheftall and James B. Young appointed to consider treaty and report their sentiments thereon on Aug. 1st.

Aug. 1. Report of Committee: Treaty obtains none of redresses sought but violates agreement with France and stipulations of treaty of 1783 [Definitive Treaty of Peace]; contravenes acts of banishment; insufficiency of articles concerning Northwest Territory; navigation of Mississippi conceded without obtaining any reciprocal right; injustice of establishing commission for settlement of British indemnity claims; no mention made of negroes carried off by the British; inequality and injustice of methods for obtaining redress for illegal captures; injustice of allowing Englishmen to hold property in the United States; trade with West Indies limited to vessels of small tonnage and cotton is not to be exported in American vessels; clause concerning increase of British tonnage will result in direct taxation to an obnoxious degree; contain no restrictions against future British spoliation; grants Great Britain the right of search; prevents expatriation; allows armed vessels and prizes to be brought into United States ports in violation of agreements with France; lament that treaty received secret discussion; recommend the President not to ratify the treaty; engrossed copies of these resolutions to be transmitted to the President of the United States [George Washington]. Copy attested: "Peter S. Lafitte Secrr." Endorsed by Washington: "relative to the Treaty with Great Britain" 5 pp. F°.

1795. Aug. 1. **Georgia,** [State.] Savannah. Letter of citizens to President George Washington [Philadelphia]. The proceedings of a mass meeting of citizens on the Treaty of Amity, Commerce and Navigation with Great Britain; objects are stated in the light that treaty militates against their rights and interests; belief in his wisdom and justice; if their sentiments are those of the majority of the citizens of the other states as it is believed, ask that he withhold his signature. Signed: "By order of the Citizens N[oble] W[imberly] Jones chairman". 2 pp. F°.

1799. Sept. 2. **Scott,** Gustavus; **Thornton,** William and **White,** Alexander. *Commissioners of the Federal City.* Washington, District of Columbia. Letter to [George] Washington, Mt. Vernon. Have received letter of Aug. 28th with enclosures from Col. [Timothy] Pickering; subject mentioned deserves consideration; thank Washington for his attention. A. L. S. Endorsed by Washington: "From The Commissioners of the Federal City, 2d. Sep 1799". 1 p. Q°.

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